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The happy man, by Lord Trevelyan, p10

Voting alliance on tax cut could defeat Labour

The first amendments to the Finance Bill, published yesterday, suggest that an alliance of Conservatives, Liberals and Scottish nationalists may vote for a 1p reduction in the standard rate of income tax, but a defeat for the Government is not certain. The Liberals were still trying to recover yesterday after their collapse in two by-elections on Thursday.

Liberals likely to join Tories and SNP

By George Clark and Michael Hatfield

In the wake of the Liberals' disastrous showing at the Epsom and Ewell and Wycombe by-elections on Thursday, the party yesterday tabled an amendment to the Finance Bill for a 2p cut in the standard rate of income tax.

They also have a "fall-back" amendment matching the Conservative proposal by Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, the shadow chancellor, for a 1p reduction. While the Scottish nationalists, led by Mr Donald Stewart, MP for the Western Isles, want a straight 2p cut.

All that suggests an alliance of Conservatives, Liberals and Scottish nationalists voting for the 1p reduction.

But in radio interviews Sir Geoffrey indicated that a defeat for the Government is still not certain, because various minority groups have not yet declared their positions, notably the seven Ulster Unionists and the three Welsh Nationalists. Most MPs expect the Welsh nationalists to side with the Government.

Mr James Molyneaux, MP for Antrim, South, and leader of the Ulster Unionists at Westminster, said last night that his party would leave it until much nearer the time of the vote before they decided their course of action.

Mr John Pardoe, the Liberal party spokesman on Treasury affairs, calling last night for "cool heads and strong nerves", said it was nonsense to suggest that the recent run of by-election results spelt the end of the Liberal revival.

The fact remains that the two Liberal candidates on Thursday fared badly. At Epsom and Ewell the Liberals dropped from second to third place behind Labour, and at Wycombe the candidate lost his deposit.

Mr David Steel, the party leader, was saying little yesterday, being occupied with constituency engagements, but Mr Pardoe had an air of desperation. "It is a time for all Liberals, whether they agree with the leadership strategy or not, to rally round and to present a united front", he said.

That strategy, of course, is the continuation of the pact with the Government for the time being, but Liberals opposed to its renewal earlier this year believe the results further justify their arguments. However, after the latest by-elections a calculated, strategic withdrawal may be more dangerous in electoral terms.

For the Government, the results in the two Tory strongholds were not regarded as damaging, but they will have a distinct bearing on the timing of the Hamilton by-election, where Labour faces a real threat of defeat by the Scottish National Party.

Mr Ronald Hayward, the party general secretary, said yesterday: "In safe Tory seats we do not normally do as well in by-elections as we do in a national contest. When the general election comes and the Government of Britain is at stake it will be a different story."

Conservatives expressed deep satisfaction at the results. Mr Francis Pym, spokesman on House of Commons affairs, said in a speech last night that the results showed what the electors thought about the Budget. He added: "They are also a devastating commentary on the futility of the Lib-Lab pact."

Mr Molyneaux dismissed the idea that the Ulster Unionists might use their votes as bargaining counters to forward their demand for a greater Ulster representation at Westminster. That decision had already gone in their favour, Mr Molyneaux said, and it was recognized that legislation, even if pressed forward and passed in the present session, would not affect representation at the next general election.

But he hinted that his party

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Cristoforo Piancone: Bedside revelations to journalist.

Moro kidnap 'was to signal all-out attack on state'

From Peter Nichols
Rome, April 28

The kidnapping of Signor Aldo Moro, the former Italian Prime Minister, by the Red Brigades was intended to be the signal for an attack on the state by the full panoply of terrorist power on a national scale with the aim of "bringing the country to its knees". But the attack was abandoned because of political considerations.

This startling assertion is part of the revelations attributed to Cristoforo Piancone, the terrorist seriously wounded on April 11 while engaged in the killing in Turin of a prison guard.

The wounded man is under close guard in a Turin hospital. According to the Rome newspaper *Il Tempo* which today publishes his alleged revelations. He has refused to say anything to interrogators except that he is a member of the Brigades and regards himself as a prisoner of war.

The fact that a meeting with a journalist could take place is amazing as Signor Piancone is supposed to be guarded night and day as the only member of the Brigades ever caught in action. He is also one of the 13 terrorists whose release the Red Brigades have officially sought in exchange for Signor Moro.

The fact remains that Signor Gianni Letta, the editor of *Il Tempo*, vouches for the authenticity of the meeting, adding that his correspondent sat at the bedside of the wounded terrorist for a long conversation and did so by means of a "charming stratagem" which, naturally, cannot be revealed.

The Red Brigades were fully equipped to launch their attack, according to this account. There were 1,500 of them, all young and completely devoted to the cause for which they were willing to give their lives.

Their bases of operation were in Genoa, Milan, Turin and Rome where they have proper barracks and not just "dens" in the term used by the authorities. They were paid 250,000 lire (about £165) a month and provided with arms, cars and other necessities by the organization.

Equipment was said to include bulletproof vests. Signor Piancone expressed regret that he had foolishly decided not to wear one on the day he was seized. He adds that the original intention had been only to wound, but as the victim had reacted by shooting at Signor Piancone, the squad was forced to kill him.

The 1,500 have been recruited from all social classes, the majority being students and workers. A candidate for membership was watched closely for months, sometimes years, so that everything possible could be known of his temperament, his strength of character and his revolutionary tendencies.

After an initial phase in which he carried out small crimes such as stealing cars, his real training as a terrorist began. It lasted about a year and usually took place outside Italy. He did not disclose where.

When Signor Piancone came back to Turin from his training, he was given, as a first task, the job of killing Signor Giovanni Agnelli, chairman of Fiat (where Signor Piancone

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Rhodesian Government dismisses outspoken black minister

From Frederick Cleary
Salisbury, April 28

Mr Byron Hove, the African Co-Minister of Justice and of Law and Order, has been dismissed by the Executive Council of the Rhodesian transitional Government.

Appointed just over two weeks ago, he has been severely criticized in the country and censured by the Executive Council for remarks made soon after his appointment.

Mr Hove, aged 38, returned to Rhodesia a few weeks ago after living for 12 years in Britain, where he practised as a barrister at the Inner Temple. His dismissal had been expected all week.

The current chairman of the Executive Council, Senator Chief Jeremiah Chirau, said tonight that on three occasions the council had asked Mr Hove to withdraw certain statements in breach of the internal agreement signed on March 3. Each time Mr Hove had "defied the order".

Soon after his appointment as joint minister with Mr Hilary Squires, Mr Hove said all law enforcement agencies needed to adjust to the new situation and African policemen should receive discrimination in their favour.

He also said that the police would have to adjust to a situation befitting majority rule, and that, while the Salisbury agreement required a judiciary free from political interference, he did not interpret this to mean that the present judiciary would be maintained.

These remarks immediately drew a strong rebuke from Mr Squires and from the Commissioner of the British South Africa Police, Mr Peter Allum, and the Commander of Combined Operations, Lieutenant-General Peter Walls.

Mr Hove, censured by the council, would not retract a word. He told me last week that he has positive views on the Rhodesian political situation, but as he still had a thriving law practice in London he would not hesitate to leave the political scene here and return to Britain if things did not go according to his liking.

He added that he had made a financial sacrifice when asked by his mentor, Bishop Abel Muzorewa, to return home and join the United African National Council.

The dismissal of one of Bishop Muzorewa's most able party members so soon after the formation of the transitional Government is bound to lead to criticism of the bishop by nationalist groups who support Mr Hove's statements. Mr Hove himself is now expected to become a vehement critic of the internal Government and the Salisbury agreement.

One Government minister said privately this week that the Executive Council was left with little option but to dismiss Mr Hove, as he had publicly flouted the authority of the council, the nation's supreme political body. If he had been allowed to defy the council, its prestige would have been badly undermined.



Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, after receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Science at Salford University (Police and unions, page 4).

Penny a day settles Rolls strike lasting four weeks

By R. W. Shakespeare

A four week-old dispute that caused the shutdown of two Rolls-Royce aero engines factories in the Midlands and made more than 6,000 workers idle, has ended with unions and workers accepting 0.1 per cent more than the company was offering. For men earning an average £4,000 a year it means just over one penny more per day.

The trouble started when pay negotiations between the management and unions at Rolls-Royce's Parkside factory in Coventry broke down. The company had offered a range of increases that would add 9.7 per cent to the pay roll.

It wanted to keep the remaining 0.3 per cent in a reserve fund in case the money was needed to switch a group of some 300 workers from a piecework system to a measured bonus scheme. It argued that by doing this it could keep the total wage increase for the plant within the Government's 10 per cent ceiling, but the unions would not accept the deal.

After militant action, including a work to rule, the company announced that it was ceasing operations at Parkside. Subsequently it halted associated work at the nearby Anstey plant.

The total amount of money the company wanted to hold in respect of the 0.3 per cent was £60,538. Earlier this week after 14 hours of negotiations through the Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service a new deal was worked out and accepted yesterday.

It means that the increases across the board at the Coventry factories will now total 9.8 per cent. The remaining 0.2 per cent (or £40,538) will be deposited with ACAS to finance the scheme the company was proposing, the transfer from piecework to measured bonuses.

Union objections to the "reserve fund" were apparently that if the money was not subsequently needed in the switch over there would have been a "scramble" among workers to obtain it.

Storm halts attempt on Everest

From Ronald Faux
Shyangboche, April 28

A severe storm on Everest has forced a halt in the first attempt to climb the 29,028ft mountain without oxygen.

Reinhold Messner, of Italy, was ready to set out alone from the South Col on Tuesday. Until then the Austrian expedition supporting the attempt had made rapid progress up the South Col route first climbed 25 years ago by Hillary and Tensing.

Signor Messner, aged 33, had climbed to Camp Five at 26,000ft and was "feeling fit" when the storm ended the long spell of good weather, badly damaging tents and equipment in the South Col and forcing Signor Messner to move to a lower camp.

He said in a radio message: "It was appalling weather. For two nights I did not sleep. I am going down to recover and then I will try again."

Chase Manhattan lifts prime rate to 8¼ pc

Chase Manhattan, America's third largest bank, increased its prime lending rate by a quarter of a point to 8¼ per cent yesterday. Other banks quickly followed suit, spurred by moves by the Federal Reserve Board to tighten credit facilities in a direct response to the rising trend of inflation. Consumer prices have advanced at an annual rate of 9.3 per cent in the first quarter of the year

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Zagreb disaster sentence cut

The Croatian Supreme Court has halved a seven-year prison sentence passed on a flight controller after a collision of two aircraft over Zagreb in which 176 people died. The court ruled that there were mitigating circumstances and criticized the Yugoslav civil aviation authority

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£9m for oil spill compensation

London insurers have paid about £9m into a fund to provide compensation for Bretons affected by pollution from the oil from the supertanker Amoco Cadiz. The total provided by Lloyd's underwriters, with hull insurance, takes the market's losses to about £15m

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Majority rule facing EEC

The European Community may have to settle many more issues by majority vote in the Council of Ministers if its membership is increased to 12. This is one of the most sensitive recommendations recently disclosed by the Commission

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Minister accused over report

A Conservative MP said it was monstrous that Mr John Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, should make his first report about the latest EEC food price negotiations on a radio programme, and then give a press conference rather than speak to the House

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Stores chain to axe 800 jobs

British Home Stores is to close 18 food departments and three cafés, all unprofitable, in its national chain of 103 stores. Up to 800 workers, 60 per cent of whom are part-time, are due to be made redundant.

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Eritreans await all-out attack

Daily Ethiopian air raids are reducing Eritrean towns to ruins, but the popular spirit of resistance remains high and recruitment of fighters has never been greater. The people believe that a big Ethiopian offensive is imminent

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Fighting goes on in Afghanistan

Diplomatic sources report continued fighting in Kabul, where military rebels have killed President Daoud. There were reports of strafing by aircraft and 200 bodies in the streets, as well as speculation that the entire Cabinet had been put to death

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'Women's role in crime growing'

Judge Argyle, QC, said at the Central Criminal Court that assistance given to professional criminals by women in the background was increasing. He jailed five men and imposed a suspended sentence on a sixth for their parts in connexion with an armed bank robbery

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M Barre lays down guidelines

M Barre, the French Prime Minister, has laid down suggested guidelines on trade union negotiations this year and is proposing a marathon of talks covering the whole range of labour relations. The reaction of employers and unions has been unenthusiastic

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Baggage loaders' dispute disrupts Heathrow

British Airways' European flights from Heathrow airport were thrown into chaos yesterday when baggage loaders walked out because one of their colleagues was interviewed by the police. Flights to Europe were delayed for more than an hour and passengers had to load and unload their baggage themselves.

The airline said it hoped to get most of its services away. "Talks are going on between shop stewards and management in an attempt to settle the dispute."

The loaders complained of police harassment after one of their colleagues was interviewed while unloading an aircraft.

The police said later: "A British Airways loader is being held for questioning after officers swooped on a Gibraltar-bound aircraft. Investigations are being made concerning a quantity of money coming into our possession".

Shop stewards threatened that the whole airport could be closed unless there was a stop to night raids by police and what they claim is the detention of people without proper suspicion.

The police have been visiting homes and stopping people leaving the airport for more than two months in a campaign against baggage and freight thefts, said to total more than £1m since the beginning of the year.

The Times

In company with a number of other national newspapers, *The Times* will not be published on the May Day Bank holiday.

Controversy revived in 'Spectator' over 1957 libel case

Labour leaders accused of lying

By Roger Berthoud

Sir Ian Gilmour, opposition spokesman on defence and a former Secretary of State for Defence, yesterday reluctantly added his weight to the view that Mr Aneurin Bevan, Mr Richard Crossman and Mr Morgan Phillips won their famous libel action against the *Spectator* in 1957 by telling lies in court.

In a letter about the episode in this week's issue of the *Spectator*, which he edited in 1957, Sir Ian writes: "Above all it never occurred to us that, when it came to the point, any of the plaintiffs would want to commit perjury for money. It was naive."

The three senior Labour politicians were each awarded damages of £2,500 after a *Spectator* article clearly implying that they had been drunk at a congress of the Italian Socialist Party in Venice.

All three were described as having puzzled the Italians by their capacity to fill themselves like tanks with whisky and coffee". The Italians, the article said, although "never sure if the British delegation were sober . . . always attributed them an immense political stature".

All three denied being in a state even of doubtful sobriety and duly won their High Court action. But two weeks ago Mr Evelyn Waugh reopened the controversy by recalling an occasion 15 years later when Mr Crossman "was happy to admit to a party of journalists in my hearing that he and Bevan had both been as pissed as newts".

Mr Waugh's reminiscence was in the course of a largely contrary article about Lord Altrincham, who was involved in the case as a solicitor for the plaintiffs. In a letter last week to the *Spectator*, Lord Goodman stated that "none of the plaintiffs ever made any statement to any of their legal advisers, including myself, suggesting that their evidence was false".

Each gave evidence on oath, having being drunk at the conference, evidence which could, if refuted, have ruined their distinguished careers and exposed them to the risk of prosecution for perjury. Moreover, the defendants at no time pleaded



Morgan Phillips, Richard Crossman and Aneurin Bevan.

justification, ie, asserted that the words were true."

But Lord Goodman must know that to plead justification in a libel action is highly dangerous. Sir Ian counters in the *Spectator* this week, since it is liable to multiply the damages.

The *Spectator* could have presented quite a lot of evidence, but as its leading counsel at the time said: "We cannot expect an English jury to prefer the evidence of Italian journalists and Italian waiters to that of a Privy Councillor and two other leading British politicians."

It was also felt that the offending sentences, though fairly light-hearted, should not have been published.

In retrospect, Sir Ian felt that the *Spectator* should have published a grovelling apology of the "blushingly untruthful" kind that newspaper defendants are often obliged to offer. It did not, since it would have been unfair to the author of the article, the late Jenny Nicholson.

In another letter Mr Patrick Marnham recalls Mr Crossman admitting that he was drunk, and adding: "But they said we were drinking whisky. You do not drink whisky in Venice" (although both Mr Bevan and Mr Phillips told the court they consumed one glass thereof).

Sir Ian emphasized yesterday that it would not have occurred to him that any of the plaintiffs could have told Lord Goodman they were indeed drunk.

Lord Goodman continues to find it a preposterous idea that people in their position could have perjured themselves on such an issue, but yesterday he would only say that he found it most unfortunate that the matter should be reopened after all three were dead and could not state their case.

Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Labour MP for Crewe and daughter of Mr Morgan Phillips (a former general secretary of the Labour Party), was angry at the revival of the issue. "The bloody nerve!" she said. "They always do these things when people are dead. Ian Gilmour is just upset because he lost. But I do not need to protect them because the court cleared them."

Mr Crossman's record for accuracy did not inspire confidence, she felt.

Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the House of Commons, was equally forthright in his biography of Aneurin Bevan. The libel was a most improbable one, he wrote, since "no one could ever call him abstemious, but hardly anyone ever saw him drunk . . . he had an extremely strong head which seemed unaffected by the quantities of liquor that might upset others".

In a footnote Mr Foot described a "wretched sequel" to the affair in 1963, when in a book about Gilbert Beyfus, Mr Bevan's counsel in the case, the author, Iain Adamson, wrote: "Bevan was committing perjury. He had been drunk. He was also eager to sue. 'I have been libelled too often, I can get them on this', he told a companion."

But Adamson, Foot wrote, produced not a title of evidence, and the junior counsel who had appeared with Mr Beyfus said that nothing in Mr Beyfus's papers lent a shred of support to "this wicked libel".

Mr Crossman's diaries for that period, expected next year, may shed further light on the incident.

£1m of drugs hidden in carved onyx

Customs and police officers have seized about £1m of cannabis resin from Pakistan in raids in Cardiff. The haul, weighing half a ton, was hidden in cases of carved onyx, mainly in veneered slabs for table tops.

Seven men with addresses in the Cardiff area were being interviewed by police yesterday.

Thirty officers took part in the raids late on Thursday night. The drugs in 22 cases were shipped into Manchester docks from Pakistan a few days ago and were transported by rail to a small warehouse in the Carhays area of Cardiff.

When customs and police arrived at the warehouse they found a large amount of onyx containing the cannabis resin.

In further raids 80lb of cannabis resin was seized at a house near Cardiff, and smashed onyx was recovered at an out-building in the East Moors area of the city. The team continued to search premises in Cardiff throughout the night.

Mr Colin Garrett, customs assistant chief investigation officer for drugs, said: "We understand there is more than half a ton of what is called "Pakistani black" cannabis resin with a street value of about £1m. It is a good quality resin."

He said it was the largest amount of the drug that had been seized for some time. It is thought that the authorities acted on a tip-off.

Doctor missing from liner

A Department of Trade inquiry is to be held into the disappearance of Dr Mona Roger, aged 60, of Newport-on-Tay, Fife, from the P & O liner Canberra, on Thursday.

She was homeward bound on a cruise from Southampton to Corfu when her cabin companion reported her missing near Gibraltar.

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HOME NEWS

Collapse of the Liberal vote puts party in deep electoral trouble

By Ivor Crewe

The collapse of the Liberal vote at Epsom and Ewell and Wycombe on Thursday confirmed beyond doubt that the Liberal Party is in unprecedented electoral trouble.

To add to its dismal 7 per cent showing in the opinion polls, the party had its previous share of the poll halved at Epsom and sliced to a mere third of its October, 1974, level at Wycombe.

There have been similar Liberal humiliations at recent by-elections, but then there were excuses: Ilford, North, was highly marginal, and the inner-city constituency of Lambeth, Central, was perculiarly unfavourable territory. Epsom and Wycombe, however, typify the Home Counties: safe, Conservative, suburban seats in which the Liberals should poll well.

Liberals usually do worse under Labour than Conservative governments, and this time had an exceptionally large number of votes "at risk" because of their strong showing in October, 1974. But those factors give no comfort either.

The average Liberal by-election poll in 1966-70 was 19.4 per cent (16.9 per cent if the anomalous Ladywood result is excluded), not very different from the party's vote at the general election in 1966. But since October, 1974, the Liberals have been running at a "sub-deposit" level of 10.8 per cent, 5.5 per cent below their showing in October, 1974.

The obvious reason why the Liberals are doing so much worse this time is their pact with Labour. Before March last year the average by-election fall proportionately in the Liberal vote was 3.7 per cent. Since the pact it has been 9.6 per cent.

Indeed, the real impact has been greater than those figures imply because by-elections held since the pact have been in constituencies more favourable to the Liberals than the average.

But the pact does not provide the whole answer. The Liberals' showing in by-elections before the pact (11.8 per cent against 15.5 per cent in the same seats in October, 1974) is still worse than in 1966-70. If repeated across the country that would probably lose them half their seats in a general election.

Moreover, ending the pact might not help the Liberals much. Last month's Gallup Poll reported that, although 16 per cent of those interviewed said they would be more inclined to vote Liberal "if the Liberals said they would no longer support the Government", 27 per cent said they would be less inclined.

The Liberals continue, it seems, to suffer from an inability to capture for themselves a distinct social group in the electorate or at least a fairly popular issue.

The slide in the Liberal vote will bring as much dismay to the Prime Minister as to Mr David Steel. Although the aggregated nature of election returns masks the full reality of the floating vote, it is fairly clear that former Liberal voters are favouring the Conservatives.

An opinion poll at the recent Ilford, North, by-election indicated that Liberals were deserting to the Conservatives in a proportion of three to one, and a similar pattern must have contributed to the result at Wycombe, where the Conservatives got more votes than at the previous general election despite a turn out that was 15 per cent lower.

The historical record makes depressing reading for the Government, too. Without exception this century a period of Labour government has been marked by a collapse of the Liberal vote at the following general election to the apparent benefit of the Conservatives.

A repetition of Thursday's swing against the Liberals at Epsom and Wycombe at the next general election would reduce the Liberal Party's MPs to single figure of Mr Jo Grimond. Even the average drop in Liberal support since 1974, if repeated across the country, would confine the party to five seats.

The Liberals' aim, therefore, must be to end the pact without ending the Government and to hope for the maximum delay before an election.

Their difficulty will be to find the right occasion, that is, one sufficiently dramatic to catch the public's attention, but not so important as to force a

Perhaps a cut in income tax might be such an issue for, Mr Denis Healey's threat of dissolution notwithstanding, what is good electoral strategy for the Liberals must also be good for the present Government.

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Above: Mr Ray Whitney, the Conservative victor at Wycombe, and his wife after the result was announced. Below: Mr Archibald Hamilton and his wife after the Conservative win at Epsom in which he got 28,242 votes.



WYCOMBE	
R. Whitney (C)	29,677
T. Fowler (Lab)	14,109
H. Warschauer (L)	3,665
Mrs S. Jones (NF)	2,040
C majority	15,568

The following table shows the proportion of votes received by the candidates and the change since October, 1974:

	% 1978	% Oct. 1974	% Change
C	60%	46.3%	+13.7%
Lab	28.5%	30.8%	− 2.3%
Lib	7.4%	19.3%	−11.9%
NF	4.1%	3.5%	+ 0.6%
Poll	59%	74.3%	−15.3%
Elect	83,892	78,832	+ 5,060

Lib and NF candidates lost their deposits.

At the general election in October, 1974, the figures were: Sir John Hall (C), 27,131; W. F. Back (Lab), 18,052; M. T. James (L), 11,333; D. H. Smith (Nat Front), 2,049. C majority, 9,079.

EPSOM AND EWELL	
A. Hamilton (C)	28,242
A. Mooney (Lab)	7,314
M. Anderson (L)	5,673
J. King (Royalist)	2,350
J. Sawyer (NF)	823
C majority	20,928

The following table shows the proportion of votes received by the candidates and the change since October, 1974.

	% 1978	% Oct. 1974	% Change
C	63.6%	54.0%	+9.6%
Lab	16.4%	19.3%	−2.9%
L	12.8%	26.6%	−13.8%
Royalist	5.3%	—	—
NF	1.9%	—	—
Poll	54.8%	73.7%	−18.9%
Elec.	80,971	80,597	+374

Royalist and NF candidates lost their deposits.

At the general election in October, 1974, the figures were: Sir P. A. G. Rawlinson (C), 32,109; D. J. H. Griffiths (L), 15,819; N. J. Kearney (Lab), 11,471. C majority 16,290.

Windscale report inconsistent group says

The report of the Windscale inquiry into the processing of radioactive waste has done much to strengthen the hand of opponents of the scheme who prefer action to argument, Friends of the Earth, an environmental group, said yesterday.

The warning came the day before a demonstration in London to oppose the new plant. Representatives are expected from anti-nuclear organizations in France and Germany, where there have been violent protests against new nuclear plants.

Friends of the Earth said they were disappointed and dismayed by the report; it contained many omissions, misrepresentations and inconsistencies.

The inspector, Mr Justice Parker, appeared to have failed to appreciate that power reactor plutonium could be used to make bombs. The organization's suggestion that the fuel should be stored unreprocessed for at least 10 years had been rejected on the ground that new storage methods would require lengthy and costly research. Instead, Mr Justice Parker had accepted the ability of British Nuclear Fuel to develop a reprocessing plant and another to turn the waste into glass.

"Anything which BNFL desires to do, no matter how novel, technically challenging or even purely hypothetical, is accepted by the inspector as feasible; anything objectors wish to do, no matter how comparatively straightforward, is set aside as unproven or imprudent", Friends of the Earth said.

The Parker report had produced a polarization rather than a moderation of the debate. "It has done little to reduce public concern over the wisdom of reprocessing and much to strengthen the hand of those opponents who prefer action to argument."

Cooperation urged: Mr Geoffrey Rippon, leader of the Conservative group in the European Parliament, said in London yesterday that nuclear waste must be tackled on an international basis, with Europe taking a main initiative.

Speaking at a meeting of the European Round Table in London, he said the EEC should cooperate with the United States in nuclear energy technology "without hazarding our children's future through the threat of nuclear proliferation".

NUJ is to step up regional paper action

By Our Labour Editor

Leaders of the National Union of Journalists decided last night step up industrial action against Thomson Regional Newspapers over a productivity pay dispute that has led to the dismissal of 387 journalists.

The union is calling out on strike from next Tuesday 236 journalists employed on the company's newspapers in South Wales and Newcastle upon Tyne. It has also proposed that journalists on Thomson national newspapers, including *The Times*, should hold mandatory chapel (office branch) meetings. Those meetings may disrupt production.

The executive decided that journalists employed at Cardiff, Reading and Middlesbrough who were dismissed yesterday for operating sanctions in support of 77 colleagues at Hemel Hempstead should be given dispute benefit.

Mr Kenneth Ashton, general secretary of the NUJ, said: "We are faced with an example of managerial anarchy in Thomson's". The regional newspapers' management "issuing dismissal notices to journalists like so much confetti". He added: "We want our members reinstated and as soon as possible discussions about local productivity deals to begin".

The dispute is over the dismissal of journalists on the Evening Post and Echo at Hemel Hempstead who used industrial sanctions to support their claim for a local productivity deal. A 24-hour strike called last Wednesday by 1,100 journalists in the entire group did not prevent publication of the papers involved.

Liverpool dispute: There was no sign yesterday of a settlement of the dispute which has halted publication of the Liverpool Daily Post and the evening Liverpool Echo (our Liverpool Correspondent writes).

The dispute, which involves 200 members of the National Graphical Association, began over new printing technology, but the union has widened the issue to include overtime payments.

Threat lifted: The management of the *Darlington Evening Despatch*, whose closure was contemplated during the seven-month strike by journalists over a closed shop, said yesterday it would continue publication for a trial period to reestablish itself (the Press Association reports).

Railway unions' leaders accept 10% pay rise offer

By Our Labour Editor

Leaders of the three railway unions yesterday accepted a 10 per cent settlement on basic rates for 140,000 British Rail workers, but negotiations on a productivity agreement failed because the footplatemen refused to link pay to work performance.

The Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef) rejected a British Railways Board proposal on productivity payments that would have given about 3 per cent on earnings for a three-month trial period, on the grounds that it was tied to fluctuating traffic movements rather than individual or group effort.

Mr Ray Buckton, general secretary of Aslef, said after the talks: "We could give all the productivity in the world but the amount we get for it would be nil because of problems in the coal and steel industries and others."

Train drivers' leaders, he argued, could not "sell" a productivity agreement on those lines to their members because the payments it gave were outside their control. British Rail's proposals to reduce train crews, including in some cases guards, were also unacceptable.

Aslef also decided yesterday to refer to the arbitration body, the Railway Staffs National Tribunal, its claim for bonus payments in line with those conceded to guards belonging to the rival National Union of Railwaymen.

The drivers' policy-making conference begins in about 10 days, and although there may be further talks on productivity payments before then, Aslef is adamant that it will not agree to a business-linked extra payment, even if the NUR and the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association argue it is one way to win higher pay.

Safari park pact

Fourteen animal keepers and a union official yesterday agreed to an interim peace formula in the dispute over picketing of Windsor Safari Park.

Karate death

Mr Roy Wilson, aged 44, of Batley, died after exchanging blows in a sparring match at Ossett Karate Club, West Yorkshire on Thursday night.



The £600,000 painting which Speelman's are finding it difficult to lend.

Plan to lend painting is frustrated

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

The red tape of art export regularions has become knotted over a small Rogier can der Weyden portrait, valued at £600,000.

The painting, by the greatest Flemish artist of the mid-fifteenth century, depicts Antoine, Grand Bâtard de Bourgogne", the illegitimate half-brother of Charles the Bold, and dates from about 1450. It belongs to Speelman's, the London dealers, who have never tried to sell it.

They want to lend it to the Paul Getty Museum in Malibu, California, for two years; Mr Burton Frederickson, the keeper of paintings there, wants to borrow it. He suggested the loan.

Speelman's applied for a temporary export licence for exhibition purposes. They were told that such a licence could be granted only for loans of less than six months; they must apply for a permanent export licence. That involves the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art, which has duly decided, on the advice of the National Gallery, that the painting is of preeminent importance and, if a museum can find the money within three months, it should be saved for the nation.

The trouble is that Speelman's do not want to sell it. Mr Michael Levy, of the National Gallery, has said he does not want to buy the painting or have it on loan. It would be a great struggle for provincial galleries to find the money. So, presumably, it will eventually get an export licence.

Speelman's bought it in a minor Sotheby's sale in 1963 for £2,500. "They thought it was a fake", Mr Edward Speelman says.

The painting was later investigated by Sir Philip Hendy at the National Gallery and restored by Mr Helmut Ruhemann, the National Gallery restorer. As a result it is valued at £600,000.

Speelman's have said that they would be delighted to lend the painting to a British museum, perhaps after it comes back from California.

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Ulster Unionist support essential for Government

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was more interested in a substantial move towards a restoration of regional government to Northern Ireland.

For the Government to be defeated, support of the Opposition by the Ulster Unionists is essential. But even if the grand coalition is achieved and the decision goes against the Government, there are indications that Mr Denis Healey, the Chancellor, and the Government would not regard it as a change so big that it would destroy the general Budget strategy and force the Prime Minister to call an election.

In addition to the amendments already announced, the Conservatives yesterday tabled four clauses for discussion at the committee stage of the Finance Bill.

They propose two alternative ways for lightening the burden of stamp duty on house purchases. The threshold for that tax has remained unchanged at £15,000 since 1974.

One amendment proposes that where the amount or value of the transaction is £20,000 or under there should be no stamp duty; above that there would be graded duties, according to the value of the property, up to between £30,000 and £35,000, where the duty would be 50p for every £50.

Above that value there would be a duty of £1 for every £50. The proposals could cost about £30m a year.

The Conservatives also intend to press the case for indexation of capital gains tax, which it was thought at one time the Government had accepted. If accepted that clause would involve no cost in the present year.

"End the pact": Mr Cyril Smith, Liberal MP for Rochdale, yesterday called for an early end to the Liberal pact with Labour (the Press Association reports). "I think the by-elections prove that the pact has been disastrous for the party", he said.

But Mr Smith said there was no need for a change in the party's leadership. "David Steel should lead us at the next general election. He should follow his strategy through."

Mr Geoffrey Tordoff, the Liberal Party chairman, said he thought that people who had voted Liberal in 1974 had stayed at home on Thursday. He did not think Liberal votes were moving to the Conservatives.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Conservative leader, said before leaving London yesterday on her first official visit to Iran, that she was very confident of winning the next election.

Speaking at Heathrow airport, she said the by-election results "show that there is a continuous swing away from the Government towards us".

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Libel charge against Yorkshire TV fails

A private prosecution against Yorkshire Television and three of its staff who worked on the documentary programme, *Johnny Go Home*, was rejected at Wells Street Magistrates' Court, London, yesterday, but the company and two of the other defendants were committed for trial for alleged conspiracy to defraud.

Mr Roderick Romain, the magistrate, refused to commit them for trial for criminal libel. He referred to a decision of Lord Denning that criminal libel was so serious that the offender should be punished by the state whereas a civil libel did not come up to "that degree of enormity".

The charges were brought by Mr Roger Gleaves, of Muswell Road, Crouch Hill, London.

John Willis, a producer-director, Michael Deakin, an executive producer, and Dianne Burgess, a researcher, were accused of aiding and abetting Yorkshire Television to effect the publication o a defamatory libel. The company was charged with defamatory libel in the programme, which was broadcast on July 22, 1975.

A defence application was granted for costs to be paid out of central funds.

The conspiracy charge, against Yorkshire Television, Mr Willis and Mr Deakin, relates to the alleged use of a photograph of which Mr Gleaves claims the copyright. Odhams Newspapers, who were named in one conspiracy charge, were discharged and granted a maximum £300 costs against Mr Gleaves.

Second man is held in fringe bank case

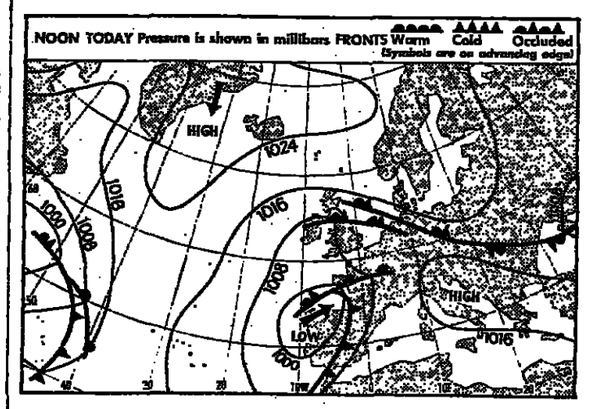
A second man has been arrested in connexion with the theft of £2.4m from the London and County Securities banking group, which collapsed in 1973, Scotland Yard said yesterday.

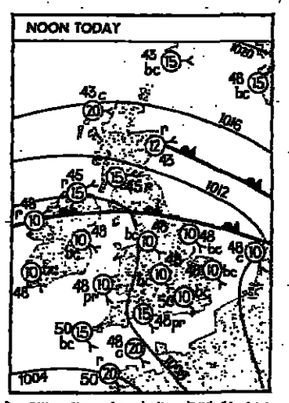
Arthur Trevor Pepperell, accountant and former consultant with the bank, was arrested in Oldenberg, West Germany, on Thursday, the Yard said, adding: "At the request of Scotland Yard fraud squad his extradition is being sought for the theft of £2.4m."

Earlier this week Gerald Joseph Caplan, aged 46, who was chairman of the bank until its collapse, was arrested in a Los Angeles office. His lawyer said Mr Caplan would oppose moves to extradite him to Britain.

Los Angeles, April 27.—Mr Caplan was permitted to go to hospital today for tests for a heart valve condition. He had been taken into court yesterday handcuffed to a bank robber for a bail hearing.
—Reuter.

Weather forecast and recordings





b—blue sky; bc—half cloudy; c—overcast; f—fog; d—drizzle; h—hail; m—mist; r—rain; s—snow; th—thunderstorm; p—showers; prs—periodical rain with snow.

Today

Sun rises: 5.37 am Sun sets: 8.20 pm

Moon rises: Moon sets: 1.53 am 11.29 am

Last Quarter: 10.2 pm.

Lighting up: 8.50 pm to 5.55 am.

High water: London Bridge, 7.4 am, 6.8m (22.2ft); 7.25 pm, 6.4m (21.0ft). Avonmouth, 12.8 am, 11.7m (38.4ft); 12.35 pm, 11.3m (37ft). Dover, 4.12 am, 6m (19.7ft); 4.44 pm, 5.9m (19.4ft). Hull, 11.21 am, 6.6m (21.6ft). Liverpool, 4.26 am, 8.5m (28ft); 5.2 pm, 8.1m (26.5ft).

Tomorrow

Sun rises: 5.35 am Sun sets: 8.22 pm

Moon rises: Moon sets: 2.32 am 12.42 pm

New Moon: May 7.

Lighting up: 8.52 pm to 5.3 am.

High water: London Bridge, 8.6 am, 6.5m (21.2ft); 8.28 pm, 6.2m (20.3ft). Avonmouth, 1.11 am, 11.1m (36.4ft); 1.44 pm, 10.7m (35.2ft). Dover, 5.25 am, 5.7m (18.8ft); 6.3 pm, 5.7m (18.7ft). Hull, 12.12 am, 6.4m (20.9ft); 12.27 pm, 6.3m (20.6ft). Liverpool, 5.32 am, 8.2m (26.8ft); 6.17 pm, 7.8m (25.5ft).

Troughs of low pressure will move N across many areas.

Forecasts from 6 am to midnight:

London, SE, Central S England, Midlands, Wales: Sunny intervals, showers; wind E, light to fresh; max temp 13°C (55°F).

Channel Islands, SW England: Sunny intervals at first, cloudy later with rain; wind E, light to fresh; max temp 11°C 52°F).

E Anglia, E, central N England, Lake District, Isle of Man, N Ireland: Cloudy, occasional rain; wind E, moderate; max temp 10°C (50°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll: Cloudy, occasional rain; wind E, light or moderate; max temp 7°C (45°C).

Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Cloudy, rain, snow on hills; wind E, moderate; max temp 7°C (45°F).

NE and NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Dry, bright periods; Wind E, moderate; max temp 7°C (45°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Remaining changeable, with further rain; some bright intervals.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E), St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind SE, light to fresh; sea slight.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 11°C (52°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 5°C (41°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 79 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 7 pm, 0.06in. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, 3.3hr. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,007.3 millibars, steady.

1,000 millibars=29.53in.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

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Algiers	c	30	86	Cologne	c	15	59	L. Palmas	c	20	68
Amsterdm	f	11	52	Copenhgn	c	5	41	Lisbon	f	12	54
Athens	f	23	73	Dublin	r	9	48	Locarno	r	16	61
Barcelona	s	18	64	Edinburgh	r	7	45	London	r	9	48
Beirut	f	21	70	Florence	c	16	61	Luxemburg	c	15	59
Belfast	r	8	46	Funchal	c	20	68	Madrid	c	15	59
Berlin	s	12	54	Geneva	f	13	57	Majorca	f	19	66
Biarritz	c	17	63	Gibraltar	f	18	64	Malaga	f	21	70
Birmingham	c	10	50	Guernsey	r	9	48	Malta	f	24	75
Bristol	c	9	48	Helsinki	sn	2	36	Manchstr	r	10	50
Brussels	c	13	55	Innsbruck	f	15	59	Moscow	f	10	50
Budapest	f	17	63	Istanbul	f	19	66	Munich	c	10	50
Naples	f	16	61	Nice	c	16	61	Oslo	s	9	48
Paris	c	14	57	Reykjavik	c	6	43	Rome	r	17	63
Ronldsay	r	6	43	Stockholm	r	5	41	Tel Aviv	f	31	70
Venice	r	16	61	Vienna	c	15	59	Warsaw	r	13	55
Zurich	r	15	59								

Monday

Sun rises: 5.33 am Sun sets: 8.23 pm

Moon rises: Moon sets: 3.5 pm 1.55 pm

Lighting up: 8.53 pm to 5.1 am.

High water: London Bridge, 9.15 am, 6.3m (20.8ft); 9.39 pm, 6.1m (20.1ft). Avonmouth, 2.30 am, 10.8m (35.6ft); 3.9 pm, 10.7m (35.1ft). Dover, 6.50 am, 5.6m (18.5ft); 7.21 pm, 5.7m (18.7ft). Hull, 1.31 am, 6.1m (20.1ft); 1.48 pm, 6.1m (20.1ft). Liverpool, 6.49 am, 8m (26.2ft); 7.39 pm, 7.8m (25.5ft).

May forecast

The Meteorological Office yesterday issued the following forecast for May: Cool and often cloudy weather is likely, but with some warmer, sunnier days. Rather frequent NE winds are indicated during the first part of the month, with more variable weather types thereafter.

Mean temps are expected to be below average and total rainfall near average in all districts. Sunshine amounts are likely to be below average generally, but near average in W and N Scotland. Frost may occur with above average frequency, but the incidence of gales is likely to be below average.

Overseas selling prices
Austria, Sch 18; Belgium, Fr 28; Canaries, Pes 60; Denmark, Dkr 1.25; Finland, Fmk 3.25; France, Fr 3.50; Germany, Dmk 0.80; Greece, Dr 55; Holland, Dfl 0.90; Hongkong, HK$ 6.00; Italy, Lire 700; Luxembourg, Lf 22; Madeira, Esc 22.50; Malta, 7p; Norway, Kr 3.50; Portugal, Esc 25; Spain, Pes 60; Sweden, Skr 4.25; Switzerland, Sfr 0.50; USA/Canada, $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 24.

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Nine youths cleared over death after argument

Graham Newman, aged 17, an insurance clerk, who died after an argument in a Norwich street, suffered brain damage from a ruptured blood vessel before the incident, Norwich magistrates were told yesterday.

He died in Norwich hospital in February when doctors switched off his life-support system, saying he had irreparable brain damage.

Nine youths admitted using threatening behaviour during the incident. At the request of the prosecution the magistrate discharged all nine on a charge of fighting and causing an affray.

Before the court were: Gary Christopher Barham, aged 17, of Lincoln Street; Alan David Hunt, aged 17, of Grove Walk; Stuart Peter Ling, aged 17, of Pertus Road; Gary Ivan Nichols, aged 17, of Harbord Road; Richard Leonard Richardson, aged 17, of St Mildred's Road; Dale Rodney Want, aged 17, of Handbury Close; Earl Solomon Page, aged 19, of Lovelace Road, all Norwich; and two boys aged 16.

The seven youths were each fined £30 with £60 costs for threatening behaviour. Mr Page and Mr Hunt were also fined £50 for an assault on Graham Newman causing bodily harm. The two juveniles accused of threatening behaviour were conditionally discharged for two years with £10 costs.

Mr Stephen Wooler, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said he hoped the matter would be put in perspective, in the interests of justice and the deceased, and also of the defendants.

Mr Newman was with four friends at a discotheque in Norwich on the night of the incident. He had been away from work for two days and the seepage in the blood vessel was consistent with symptoms of a raging headache.

An argument developed between Mr Newman and Alan Hunt and his girl friend. Mr Newman was challenging Mr Hunt, and Mr Hunt was challenging him. Mr Newman's collapse was in no way associated with the altercation or assault on him, counsel said. It was a result of brain damage caused by rupture of a blood vessel.

Downing Street sticks to its version on Forces' pay

By Our Political Correspondent

On behalf of the Prime Minister, officials continued yesterday to challenge the accuracy of *The Times* report on Thursday on representations by the Chiefs of Staff to Mr Callaghan in advance of the Cabinet decision on Forces' pay.

The request for a meeting was received on April 19, the day before the Chiefs of Staff knew that the Cabinet was meeting to settle the issue, and Mr Callaghan did not read the memorandum until 7 am on April 20. But he reported the Chiefs of Staff's views fully to the Cabinet that day.

He had seen Marshal of the RAF Sir Neil Cameron, Chief of the Defence Staff, on March 17 and had a "full discussion" on Forces' pay.

What appears at issue is whether the Chiefs of Staff had made an informal approach to see the Prime Minister earlier and been snubbed. At 10 Downing Street that is denied. And, referring to the last words of The Times leading article yesterday, No 10 said that if anyone was entitled to an apology it was not the Chiefs of Staff but the Prime Minister.

Whitehal sources said last night that Mr Frederick Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, would make a statement when Mr Callaghan's promised inquiry into an alleged leak of information had been completed.

Minister accused of slighting house

By Hugh Clayton
Agricultural Correspondent

A Conservative MP yesterday criticized Mr John Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, for making his first report about the latest EEC farm price bargaining in a radio show instead of to Parliament.

When Mr James Scott-Hopkins, MP for Derbyshire, West, was demanding Mr Silkin's presence in the Commons, the minister was at Broadcasting House for an interview with Jimmy Young, compere of a record programme for housewives.

Mr Scott-Hopkins, who is agriculture spokesman in the Conservative Party's group in the European Parliament, said he suspected that Mr Silkin would make his report to the Commons in the form of a written answer.

Mr Silkin did so early in the afternoon, but not before he had angered the Opposition further by giving a press conference. In a statement issued outside the House Mr Scott-Hopkins said: "It is quite monstrous that the minister has avoided coming to the House and making a statement.

"One suspects it is because the breakdown is largely because of his own bloody-mindedness in negotiation. Farmers have every right to know why the negotiations broke down."

Mr Scott-Hopkins said later that he would protest to the Prime Minister. "I came back specially from Brussels expecting a Commons statement. There is no reason why the minister should not have come unless he did not want to be cross-examined by MPs".

The final stage of the debate by the EEC council of farm ministers on farm price and policy changes for 1978-79 was adjourned in Luxembourg at 10.30 pm on Thursday. Mr Silkin said at yesterday's press conference that the battle for the British milk marketing boards was virtually won.

The European Commission had improved the terms for preserving the five boards and was offering a better deal on the British butter subsidy. British dairy traders say the boards' statutory powers over dairy farmers are essential to maintain the high level of liquid milk consumption which makes doorstep delivery possible long after it has disappeared elsewhere.

Mr Silkin also said that the original changes in farm support prices put to ministers by the European Commission would have added only ½p in the pound to the cost of living in Britain. He said in his written reply, to Mr James Johnson (Kingston-upon-Hull, West, Lab), that the commission's latest proposals would add about a quarter of a percentage point to the rise in the original plan.

The EEC meeting will resume for the last time on May 8. Mr Silkin said he would judge the commission's new plans by their effect on cutting "the present structural surpluses that have resulted from excessive price levels, and how far they would avoid the creation of new ones".

Officials said later that Mr Silkin always reported to the Commons about EEC meetings the day after they ended. He did not want to risk losing the chance to do so this time by aiming for a personal report in the House, which would have to be delivered long before the deadline for a written reply. The latest time a statement can be made in the House on a Friday is 11 am.

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More women giving help to criminals judge says

An increasing feature of professional criminal life is the assistance and help given by women in the background, Judge Argyle, QC, said at the Central Criminal Court yesterday. He imposed jail sentences on five men and a suspended jail sentence on a sixth man for their parts in an armed bank robbery.

After rewarding four civilians for bravery and courage and commending the police for their investigation, Judge Argyle said: "An undoubted feature of this case has been that in the background there are women helping and assisting".

John Charles Short, aged 42, of Hollingsworth Road, South Croydon, was sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment for an armed raid on the Allied Irish Bank at Hammersmith, London, in September, 1976, when £75,000 was stolen and to a consecutive seven years for three firearms offences making 21 years. A criminal bankruptcy order in the sum of £75,000 was also made against him.

Gerald Simmonds, aged 34, of Wulfstan Street, Shepherd's Bush, London, was sentenced to 12 years for his part in the bank robbery. Robert William Goring, aged 32, of Merton Park, Wimbledon, London, was sentenced to seven years for dishonestly handling £3,650 stolen from the bank.

Derek Thomas, aged 35, and William John Ferguson, aged 35, of Randolph Avenue, Maida Vale, London, were each sentenced to three years for attempting to pervert the course of justice by taking the numbers of police Q cars and handing them to Mr Short.

John Statter, aged 42, of Ashby Walk, Croydon, was sentenced to two years, suspended for two years, for dishonestly handling and disposing of stolen cash for the benefit of Mr Short, and was fined £1,000.

The judge made the following awards from public funds:

Mr Stanley Moore, aged 61, a bank messenger, of Valley Drive, Kingsbury, London, £50.

Mr Simon Edward Quarrell, aged 29, director and general manager of a business, of Bottrells Lane, Chalfont St Giles, Buckinghamshire, who used his radio telephone to help the police when he saw a van being attacked, £25.

Mr Michael Patrick Collins, aged 27, a bank official, of Antrobus Road, Chiswick, London, who was present when the Allied Irish Bank was raided in November, 1976, for a second time, and was largely responsible for preventing a large sum of money being stolen, £25.

Mr Hugh Joseph Smith, aged 29, assistant manager of the Allied Irish Bank at Hammersmith, of Alderney Avenue, Hounslow, London, £25.

Corruption inquiries 'could last a year'

Inquiries into allegations of corruption in public life in Lancashire could last up to a year, Mr Peter Imbert, Deputy Chief Constable of Surrey, who is heading the investigation, said yesterday. Members of the inquiry team would have to forget about family life for the next few months.

Mr Imbert, speaking at Lancashire police headquarters near Preston, said he would be leading a team of officers from four forces, including Det Chief Supt Peter Westley, of Scotland Yard's company fraud squad, and Det Chief Supt Roy Readwin, of Nottinghamshire police.

They will be looking into allegations, including those made by Mr Stanley Parr, former Chief Constable of Lancashire, who was dismissed last December.

They will also be investigating matters in the Osmond report, and the results of inquiries made by Mr Readwin over the last six months. The Osmond report dealt originally with allegations made against Mr Parr.

Mr Imbert said: "We shall inquire into the allegations and rumours concerning public corruption in Lancashire and Blackpool. It is a wide brief. It will be done thoroughly." The outcome would be a report to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Inquiries would go back over a number of years, and the police would be looking at records and interviewing many people involved in the allegations. The team had no power to offer immunity to anyone who came forward to offer evidence, he added.



Family parade: Three generations of a family of past and serving Royal Air Force airmen and airwomen at RAF Hereford yesterday to see Aircraftwoman Ann Milam, aged 19, pass out from recruit training. They are, from the left, her grandfather, George, her father, Ronald, her sister-in-law, Julia, her mother, Hettie, her brother, Ronald and her sister, Lynn. Ann Milam is the ninth member of her family to have joined the Royal Air Force.

In brief

Lottery cash for Discovery fund

The Greater London Council will give about £4,000 from the first of its weekly lotteries to help to save Scott's ship, the Discovery, which is said to be rotting at its moorings on Victoria Embankment.

The Maritime Trust and the Maritime Museum have set up a fund to preserve the ship as a museum.

School occupation ends

The seven-week occupation of a nursery school in Oxford by parents campaigning to keep it open was ended by bailiffs yesterday after the county council had been granted a court order to repossess it.

Mining protest

The residents of five Cumbria-Northumberland border villages meeting at Halton Lea Gate yesterday called on the National Coal Board to abandon opencast mining plans in the area.

Barracks to close

The Sir John Moore Barracks, at Shrewsbury, where infantry recruits have been trained since 1880, will close in the mid-1980s, the Army said yesterday.

£20.5m for church

The Church of Scotland said yesterday that its income last year was £20.5m, of which £15.9m came from congregations, an increase of 13.3 per cent.

'Discs' make people taller at night

By Our Health Services Correspondent

The discs in the spinal column, which cause so much agony when displaced, make people taller when asleep and permanently shorter as old age creeps on, a scientific study suggested yesterday.

The discovery, by scientists working for the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council, may one day help to conquer low back pain and arthritis of the back.

Dr Alice Maroudas, head of the chemistry section of the bone and joint research unit at the London Hospital, and Professor Malcolm Jayson, professor of rheumatology, Manchester University, have been studying the ingenious load-bearing mechanism of intervertebral discs.

They found that people put on a third of an inch in height overnight because the discs, which consist of a network of fibrous material with a soft, semi-fluid core containing water, act as a resilient osmotic sponge.

During the day the discs are subjected to high pressure and water is slowly squeezed out; but at night the water returns, making the spine longer. Weightlessness experienced by astronauts had resulted in their returning from space two inches taller than at blast-off.

As people get older more water is squeezed out during the day.

Tribunal doubts on use of personal files in disputes over job promotion

Reservations were expressed by the Employment Appeal Tribunal yesterday about allowing race or sex discrimination complainants in job promotion disputes to see personal details of rival candidates.

Mr Justice Phillips, the president, said he and two lay judges from industry felt there was some need to protect documents relating to other people not directly involved in discrimination complaints.

But because of earlier decisions on the production of documents in such cases, the court allowed a pretrial plea that a Leyland Cars employee should be allowed to see records of other candidates interviewed for the job he had unsuccessfully sought.

The company is contesting a complaint by Mr Nat Vyas, of Chandlers Close, Abingdon, Oxfordshire, that it rejected him for a post as methods analyst because of his race or colour.

Mr Vyas, a British subject of Indian origin who came to Britain from East Africa, is a senior supply analyst with the company. He maintains that he needs to see papers in the employers' control to help to fight his case.

The tribunal granted him permission to inspect reports on his rivals for the job, but suspended the order pending reference of the case to the Court of Appeal.

In a recent decision a different panel of the tribunal ruled that a woman alleging sex discrimination was entitled to have copies of the personal files of people promoted to a post she had sought. That case also is going to the Court of Appeal.

Top GLC official to head planning allegation inquiry

By Robert Parker

Sir James Swaffield, director-general of the Greater London Council, is to head the inquiry into an allegation of member involvement in a planning application by a friend of Mr Horace Cutler, leader of the Conservative-controlled council, to build a house in the green belt.

The allegation was made by Mr Andrew McIntosh, Labour spokesman on planning and communications, at a GLC committee meeting on Wednesday. He said a handwritten note on the file said that the applicant was a friend of Mr Cutler's. The note also asked whether a recommendation of refusal could be changed.

Mr Frederick Pooley, the GLC's controller of planning and communications, was to have headed the inquiry. But after intervention by Labour councillors it was decided to appoint Sir James.

The Labour group has put down an emergency question for the council meeting on Tuesday to establish what form the inquiry will take and when it will report.

Napoleon's necklace gift to sister fetches £344,352

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

Christie's yesterday completed their week of sales in Geneva, which have raised £6,923,993. The three sessions of jewelry sales on Thursday were the biggest contributors, totalling £4,796,515, with 22 per cent unsold. A magnificent emerald and daimond necklace, originally a present from Napoleon to his sister, Pauline Borghese, made the top price at 1.25m Swiss francs (estimate 700,000 francs) or £344,352.

A cabochon sapphire weighing 18.11 carats and mounted as a ring brought a new auction record at £6,612 per carat, or £96,418 for the ring. The auctioneers reported particularly strong interest in pearls from the Middle East and strong European competition for the less expensive diamond pieces.

A sale of European porcelain and snuffboxes in Geneva yesterday rounded off the week, totalling £268,382, with 12 per cent unsold.

A sale of the Vivier collection of oriental works of art in Paris yesterday included a Chang dynasty bronze wine jar, which went to an English dealer for the high price of 900,000 francs, or £85,882. A Sung jar with a brown-black glaze, decorated with reddish flecks, made 280,000 francs, or £32,941. The auctioneers were Laurin, Guilloux, Buffetaud.

On Thursday night Ader et Picard sold a portion of the collection of modern art formed by Louis Carré for 6m francs, or £705,882. A Picasso oil of 1939, "Figure", made 740,000 francs (estimate 250,000 to 280,000 francs), or £87,059. A Duchamp-Villon bronze of 1914, "Le grand cheval", made 650,000 francs (estimate 300,000 to 350,000 francs), or £76,471.

A Sotheby Parke Bernet sale of Americana on Thursday in New York made £243,261, with 13 lots unsold. A primitive style watercolour of 1840 showing a boy with a dog made $42,500 (estimate $8,000 to $12,000), or £23,088.

At Sotheby's in London yesterday a furniture sale made £59,415, with 12 per cent unsold. A sale of decorative prints at Sotheby's Belgravia made £43,758 with 2 per cent unsold. A sale of Old Master paintings at Christie's made £71,587, with 16 per cent unsold, and Old Master prints fetched £39,440, with 1 per cent unsold.

Christie's sale of oriental art in Rome on Thursday made £44,731, with 24 per cent unsold, and their sale of English pottery and porcelain in New York realized £38,900, with 15 per cent unsold.

Life jail for widow murder

Two men who killed a widow aged 75 were sentenced at Leeds Crown Court yesterday to life imprisonment.

Bernard Bell, aged 21, of no fixed address, and William Francis Byrne, aged 21, a labourer, of Saville Drive, Leeds, were found guilty of the murder of Mrs Lena Jackson at her home in Mexborough Drive, Leeds, on November 19 and guilty of aggravated burglary.

Science report

Geology: Prospects of oil

A recent oceanographic expedition in an area west of the Outer Hebrides has disclosed much more about the structure of sedimentary layers at the edge of the continental shelf than was previously known. Dr E. J. W. Jones of the Department of Geology, University College London, reports his recent findings in this week's *Nature*. He points out that they may be of significance to prospectors, as there are structures which could well be oil-bearing.

The continental shelf is a hundred or more kilometres wide off Western Ireland, Western Scotland and the Hebrides. Going further west, there is then a two-kilometre-deep trough, another hundred kilometres wide, before the water shoals again on the Rockall Plateau. Dr Jones performed his study out from the Isle of Lewis to where the water begins to deepen into the trough. He used seismic recording equipment in small buoys, firing explosive charges regularly, and from the time it takes sound to travel through the rocks it is possible to deduce something about the submarine geology.

From that evidence it is clear that there are substantial thicknesses of sediments overlying harder rocks. Moreover it seems that the sediments can often be divided into two—up to two kilometres of soft material overlies somewhat harder material, which must also, of course, be older. Observations of gravity in the area help to fill in the picture. Although the general impression is that the further offshore, the thicker the sediments become, there is a complication. Thirty kilometres off the Scottish coast, the steadily increasing depth of sediments is interrupted by a 15-kilometre-wide ridge of hard rocks called gneisses, which breaks surface in some places to form the Flannan Isles. But west of that ridge the sediments steadily thicken.

It is dangerous to pin too precise geological labels on the sedimentary layers on the basis of indirect evidence, but Dr Jones tentatively identifies the upper sedimentary layer as Cretaceous, meaning roughly 100 million years old, and the lower sedimentary layer as Permo-Triassic, roughly 240 million years old. On top of that in some places is a thin veneer of much younger sediments.

From those results one can make a guess at the way the region has evolved. It seems that there have been big vertical movements in the area which have left the Flannan Ridge isolated and surrounded by sedimentary basins. But that is just the sort of structure which looks attractive to oilmen, thick layers of sediments acting as the source of the oil and strong vertical faulting to act as a trap for it.

Recent exploration work has emphasized regions to the west of Ireland, and to the west of the Shetlands. Dr Jones's work points out the possibilities between those two zones; possibilities which would, however, present rather daunting prospects to any potential exploiter. The water is deeper than in much of the North Sea, and the sea and weather frequently inhospitable.

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HOME NEWS

New regional tier of Government not fully understood by the voters

Indian as Scottish national candidate for local poll

From Alan Hamilton
Edinburgh

Mr Parampal Singh, an Indian by birth, is contesting Fraserburgh, East, one of the 511 seats on Scottish regional councils, in which polling takes place on Tuesday for the first time since the regions were established in 1974. Mr Singh is hoping to take his seat on Grampian Regional Council for the Scottish nationalists.

Success would provide welcome publicity for the SNP and convincing proof that not all nationalists are tartan-clad racial purists who live in misty glens and blame the English for everything. But he is hardly likely to change the course of Scottish politics; indeed, in only three of the 12 regional and island councils is there any real prospect of a change of control.

The regional elections will be taken as an important indicator of political opinion in Scotland, coming as they do between two significant by-elections at Glasgow, Garscadden, and Hamilton, and because candidates are being obliged to campaign more on national than local issues because of the great size of the regions.

Candidates face the added difficulty that the regional tier of government, being new, is not fully understood by voters. Canvassers of all parties report that one of the main topics on which they are questioned is housing, a responsibility of the district councils, which held their elections last year.

One nationalist candidate commented: "Public expenditure cutbacks, law and order, education and transport are the real issues of this election, but there is only a limited amount a regional councillor can do about them."

Devolution has not emerged as a serious issue during campaigning. Among nationalist candidates that is not altogether surprising, because a principal plank in SNP policy is the abolition of regional councils.

Throughout Scotland Labour have been greatly encouraged by their success at Garscadden and confidently predict that they will consolidate their position, with the possibility of gaining overall control in one more region, Lothian.

Labour also hope to benefit from a recent rating revaluation in Scotland in which the domestic rate demand for many householders fell, although commercial and industrial rates rose sharply.

The Conservatives are putting up 293 candidates, considerably more than in 1974, with a particularly strong presence in Strathclyde, where they hope to whittle away a little of Labour's monolithic domination, and

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where they are the only party fighting all 103 seats.

A big effort is being mounted by the nationalists, who have won six regional by-elections since 1974 and are putting up 223 candidates, many more than last time. They would like to put up more, but have found difficulty in recruiting suitable people, particularly in rural areas.

The Liberals are putting up only 45 candidates, half the number they fielded in 1974, having decided to save their limited strength for the general election. Mr James Sillars's breakaway Scottish Labour Party, now that it has chosen not to fight the parliamentary by-election at Hamilton, will be putting up a handful of candidates, mainly in Strathclyde.

By far the most populous of the Scottish regions, Strathclyde offers no real contest, with Labour holding 69 seats and enjoying an overall majority of 35 in the outgoing council. But the Conservatives are making a particular effort there.

The nationalists, holding seven Strathclyde seats in the last council, have produced a programme for revitalizing industry in the west of Scotland. They hope to pick up at least two new seats, both in steelmaking areas where recent closure plans have hit hard at employment.

A much closer contest is promised in Lothian, where Labour, with 22 seats, are the largest single party but have the Conservatives breathing down their necks with 19 seats, and are six seats short of overall control.

A spirited fight is also promised in the Tayside region, where in the outgoing council the Tories are only two short of an overall majority, with 22 seats to 15 Labour and nine Independent.

Central Region, including much of the industrial belt, is the only one where the nationalists have any real chance of coming to power. In the 1974 election Labour took exactly half of the 34 seats and the nationalists nine. The SNP has since won two more at by-elections, and would need a further seven to gain control.

Central, appropriately overlooked by the William Wallace monument at Stirling, is the main power base of the SNP; their president, Dr Robert McIntyre, is a former Provost of Stirling and one of their local MPs, Mr George Reid, is held in high regard in the area.

Mrs Helen Davidson, leader of the SNP group on the council says that SNP pressure has opened up a number of hitherto closed committees to press and public.

An encouraging sign for the nationalists is that in last year's district council elections in the area they won 42 per cent of the vote, compared with 31 per cent for Labour. In the same elections the SNP secured 28 per cent in Strathclyde and 24 per cent in Lothian. Having failed to take Garscadden, continued progress in the regional elections is vital for the SNP's future.

The district election results are, understandably, not being given too much prominence this time by Labour, who suffered a net loss of 123 seats in the local polling last year. Garscadden, they feel, has reversed that trend, and the party are further encouraged by a computerized survey under taken last week by Dr William Miller, of Strathclyde University, which predicts that they will hold on to Strathclyde and Fife and gain an absolute majority in the Lothian and Central regions.

The only other industrial region is Fife, where Labour have a comfortable overall majority. No change of control is likely there.

Mr Murray on unions as the peace makers

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

The policeman must not be seen as partisan in industrial disputes that spring from honest disagreement, Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, said last night. "Trade unionists, like other citizens, are all for a police service but never for a police state", he added.

Giving the Viscount Nuffield memorial lecture at the Institution of Production Engineers, he took the opportunity to give an authoritative definition of the labour movement's attitudes towards the role of law in industrial relations and towards the police.

"Trade unionists respect the law", he continued. "We observe the laws of the land, even when we want them changed. We detest disorder; it is an essential part of our business to secure an orderly way of settling any and every problem that arises where people are at work".

Collective bargaining brought order into what otherwise would be a jungle, and through grievance procedures the unions prevented disputes that would damage the economy. "So unions are the peacemakers and the peacekeepers, although we do not always get the credit for it, any more than the police do when they are doing their duty.

"The law is not the foundation stone of trade unionism or the pillar of it but only a buttress, a reinforcement of what trade unionists had already built to their own design by their own enterprise and their own efforts".

Mr Murray continued: "Even when the TUC negotiated with the present Government for legislation on trade unions and employment and industrial relations, we were not out to replace collective bargaining but to strengthen it, to broaden the area of joint regulations.

"The answer that is imposed is no longer the acceptable answer. The more people are excluded from the making of decisions, the more likely they are to dissent from the decision".

Correction

A report on Thursday should have made clear that staff employed in hotels controlled by the Grand Metropolitan Group of companies would be eligible for election only to the board of Grand Metropolitan Hotels Ltd., not to the main board, under an "industrial democracy" scheme.

PARLIAMENT, April 28, 1978

Tougher labelling law to make homes safer

House of Commons

A Government new clause to ensure that people will know what offences are created by the Consumer Safety Bill and what defences are available to them under it was moved by Mr John Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection during the report stage of the Bill.

Mr Fraser (Lambeth, Norwood, Lab), moving the Clause (Offences against the safety regulations) said the Bill gave a flexible and where necessary speedy procedure and powers to protect consumers from death and injury from products. Since 1945 almost as many people had been killed in accidents in the home as had been killed on the battlefields in the last world war.

The Bill protected the young and old from injuries which could leave scars and disablement for the rest of their lives. The structure of Clause 1 had been criticized because its regulations not only prescribed safety standards, but offences and defences. He had promised to consider the criticism, and as a result had put forward this new clause which created offences in the legislation instead of in regulations.

The clause created the offence of failing to test for safety. It introduced a provision about misleading marks, and created an offence in the Bill and not in regulations.

It was aimed at misleading stamps on goods. The other day he had come across South Brazilian crackers which had the insignia "Approved by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives". Those crackers and bangers had not been approved and it was misleading to put that on the side of a tiny firework. That was the sort of thing being aimed at by the Bill.

This new clause ensured that the offences and defences, and the way in which the burden of proof lay, should be contained in the statute.

The penalties were the same as those in the Trades Descriptions Act.

Mr Neville Trotter (Tynemouth, C), the Bill's sponsor, said he welcomed the new clause. The Bill was fairly complex and there had only been limited time for drafting. But this had been followed by wide consultations with about 300 firms and organizations who were asked for their views.

There was a general concern (he said) about the way I drafted the Bill originally. The new clause, which the minister has helped to draft with parliamentary counsel, deals, I believe, with these problems. In particular it delineates the offences and defences under the Bill.

The redraft was much on the lines of the fears that had been expressed by the CBI and many other organizations that the original draft was too wide.

There was general support for the principle of consumer safety, which had been the subject of two previous private members Bills in 1961 and 1971.

I have sought (he said) to plug the loopholes and expand the powers necessary to deal with the problems of consumer safety in the light of experience that has arisen since 1961 and 1971. The offences and defences are in my judgment best delineated in the Bill and not under the regulations, which was the original proposal.

Mr Jasper Moore (Croydon Central, C) said he was concerned about the position of the retailers and small shopkeepers who might be caught and be liable as much as anyone else in the chain of passing any of the goods which the Bill sought to prohibit.

Mr Giles Shaw (Pudsey, C), for the Opposition, said a trader might unwittingly receive an article later recognized as being unsafe for sale to the public. Liability here would be different from that under the Trade Descriptions Act which dealt specifically with matters at the point of sale rather than with cases as they were discussing where there was a shared liability for arrival of goods at the point of sale and where the trader was at the long end of a chain. For this reason he suggested the fine should be only £500 rather than the £1,000 proposed.

Mr Timothy Smith (Ashfield, C) said the new clause would make a considerable improvement to the Bill. Even so the Bill would be unnecessarily complicated.

It had always been open to ministers that if it apeared that a product had been labelled in a misleading fashion to use the normal publicity channels to draw this to the attention of the public.

Often that would have the required effect without having to embark on any of the proposed action in the Bill.

Mr Fraser said that if non-statutory action would have that effect that would be the aproach. Wherever a warning of voluntary cooperation was apropriate that would take place.

It was not possible to exempt the retailer from liability in all the circumstances. But available to him was the defence of due diligence and the discretion of the court in the way it fixed the penalty.

The new clause was read a second time and added to the Bill.

Mrs Joyce Butler (Haringey, Wood Green, Lab) moved a new clause which, she said, would require enforcing authorities under the Bill to submit annual reports. She said these would be prepared by local authorities and would help to pinpoint areas or goods where there were special difficulties.

Local authorities were also likely to give their reports to local newspapers which could highlight particular problems in their area and warn people of the dangers through specific local examples.

Mr Fraser said it would be useful for the department to have reports about enforcement but he did not wish to impose undue burdens on local authorities who already had various other reports to submit on responsibilities concerning weights and measures and fair trading.

Mrs Butler should withdraw the new clause and he would undertake to discuss it with local authority associations before any obligation to submit reports was written into the Bill. These talks would be arranged as soon as possible with a view to introducing any amendment considered suitable in the Lords.

The new clause was withdrawn.

The report stage was concluded and the Bill read the third time.

House adjourned, 4.30 pm.

Group proposes 'outrage' as test of obscenity

A new definition of obscenity based on the concept of "outrage" has been proposed by the Defence of Literature and the Arts Society.

In evidence to the Williams committee on obscenity and film censorship, published yesterday, the society describes the "deprave and corrupt" test embodied in the Obscene Publications Act, 1959, as largely discredited and says that a "certain robustness" should be expected of adults in a mature democracy.

Matter dealing with human or animal sexuality, or depicting violence or cruelty, or that was gruesome or disgusting would be obscene if it might be expected "to outrage the majority of persons who are likely, having regard to all relevant circumstances, to read, see or hear it".

The society's proposals also rest on the related concept of consent. Under its suggested framework an individual would commit an offence if he exposed or delivered an obscene item to anyone who had not, with awareness of its obscene nature, consented to receive it.

Lack of funds forces theatre closure

By Martin Huckerby
Theatre Reporter

A theatre in Newcastle upon Tyne will close tonight because Tyne and Wear Council has failed to provide part of the funds needed to keep it in operation.

The Arts Council has made strenuous efforts to stop the closure of the University Theatre, and last month offered an £8,000 subsidy for a temporary programme of productions. That subsidy was conditional on matching support from the local council, which has not been forthcoming.

The theatre, which opened in 1970, was purpose-built for a repertory company which ceased operating early last year after making heavy losses.

Mr Donald Robson, deputy leader of the council, denied any knowledge of the £8,000 offer. Details appeared in the local press and in *The Times*, but he said the council had never been told about it.

He was not enthusiastic about the idea of establishing a new repertory company in the theatre, believing that it was not large enough to be run economically. The building has nearly 450 seats, but there are smaller repertory theatres in other towns.

Mentmore may become a leisure centre

Mentmore Towers, Lord Rosebery's former home near Aylesbury, may become a leisure centre, an agent negotiating its sale said yesterday. The 100-room Victorian mansion, with 25 acres of land, is priced at about £250,000, Mr Jeremy Rayner, of Strutt and Parker, the West End estate agents, said.

Contracts are likely to be exchanged soon. The house has been empty since the £6.3m sale of its art treasures and furnishings last May.

Return of trams would bring road chaos, RAC says

The idea of bringing back electric trams to conserve fuel was attacked as a threat to safety by the Royal Automobile Club yesterday.

There would be "absolute chaos in already over-congested towns and cities, the RAC said, commenting on a statement in the Commons earlier this week that more research on trams is to be carried out.

"We have seen what awful congestion the bus lanes cause", the RAC said. "With tracks in the road there would be even more problems." The proposal, by Mr William Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, was stepping back in time.

Accidents were caused by cyclists and others being caught in tram tracks, the RAC said.

Work is being carried out at the Transport and Road Research Laboratory under government sponsorship after a recommendation by the Advisory Council on Energy Conservation.

Prisoner attacked solicitor who represented him

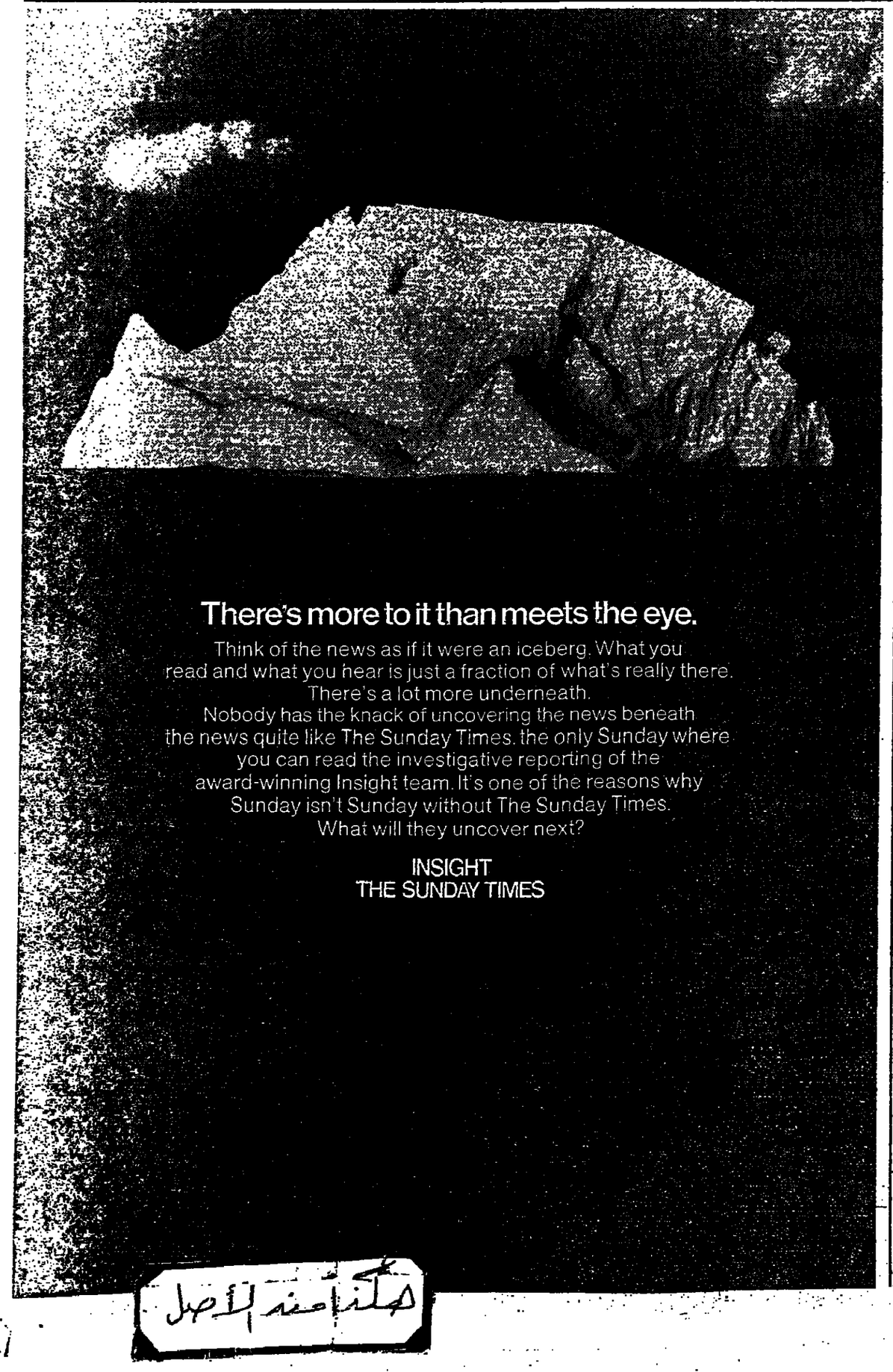
From Our Correspondent
Northampton

Stephen Dimsey, a former solicitor, jailed in August, 1976, for six years for fraud and theft, was annoyed when the solicitor who had represented him began an affair with his wife, it was stated at Northampton Crown Court yesterday.

When he was allowed out of prison on three days' parole he went to the home of the solicitor, Mr George Sorrell, and broke his nose. He was jailed yesterday for six months for causing grievous bodily harm to Mr Sorrell, the sentence to run consecutively with his six-year term. Mr Dimsey, aged 37, pleaded not guilty.

The jury was told that after Mr Dimsey was jailed his wife, Sheena, lived with Mr Sorrell for seven months. She had moved out when Mr Dimsey was allowed out on parole in February.

Mr Sorrell, aged 28, said Mr Dimsey called at his home in Buckden, Cambridgeshire, and attacked him, breaking his nose and smashing his glasses.



LEGAL NOTICES

No. 001845 of 1978
In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE, Chancery Division. Companies Court In the Matter of DENNOCK HASTE & HOWARTH Limited and in the Matter of The Companies Act 1948.
Notice is hereby given that a PETITION for the WINDING UP of the above-named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the 19th day of April 1978 presented to the Court by William Brown & Company (Ipswich) Limited whose registered office is situate at P.O. Box 13, Greyfriars Road, Ipswich, Suffolk and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL on the 15th day of May 1978, and any CREDITOR or CONTRIBUTORY of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing, in person, or by his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.
CAMERON KEMM NORDON Benlian House, New Street Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 4NS.
Solicitors for the Petitioners
NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on, or send by post to, the above-named, notice in writing of his intension so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the firm and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their Solicitors (if any) and must be served, or, if posted, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than 1.00 o'clock in the afternoon of the 13th day of May 1978.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to s 27 of the TRUSTEE Act, 1925 that any person having a CLAIM against or an INTEREST in the ESTATE of any of the deceased persons whose names, addresses and descriptions are set out below is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his claim or interest to the person or persons deceased person concerned before the date specified; after which date the estate of the deceased will be distributed by the personal representatives among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

FULLER, ELIZABETH BERTHA, Of Old Spout Farm, Lusby, Calvert County, Maryland, U.S.A., died 23rd August 1977. Particulars to National Westminster Bank Ltd, Trustee & Income Tax Dept, 15 Bishopsgate, London, EC2P 2AP, before 15th July, 1978.
MAYMAN, ALAN, Three Levels, Wildernesse Avenue, Sevenoaks, Kent, died on 18th September, 1977. Particulars to Mawby Barrie & Scott, Solicitors, Plomer House, 30-36 Fife Road, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey, KT1 1UE, on or before 29th June, 1978.
LAWSON, ELINOR, 44 Hasker Street, London, SW3. Died 5th February, 1978. Particulars to: Messrs. Jansons, 22 College Hill, London, EC4R 2RS, before 6th July, 1978.

In the Matter of N & B INDUSTRIAL FASTENERS LIMITED and in the matter of the Companies Act 1948
Notice is hereby given that the creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 25th day of May, 1978, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned Joseph Beaumont Atkinson, of Alfred Tooke & Co., 8 Upper Grosvenor Street, London W1X 0AE, the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
Dated this 21st day of April, 1978.
J. B. ATKINSON, Chartered Accountant, Liquidator.

SHOREPOINT HERITABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY Limited
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of SHOREPOINT HERITABLE INVESTMENT COMPANY Limited, will be held at 35 St. Thomas Street, London, SE1, on Monday the 15th day of May, 1978 at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purposes provided for in Sections 294 and 295.
Dated the 21st day of April, 1978.
H. M. SONING, Director/Secretary.

LEGAL NOTICES

No 003481 of 1977
The Companies Act, 1948. In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE in the matter of HARONI HOLDINGS LIMITED of 25 Harley Street, W.1, Investment Company.
I, Percy Phillips, F.C.C.A., F.C.I.S., of 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W1M 8AH, hereby give notice that I have been duly appointed and certified by the Department of Trade and Industry as Liquidator of the Estate of the above-named Company.
All persons having in their possession any of the effects of the Company must deliver them to me, and all debts due to the Company must be paid to me.
Creditors who have not yet proved their debts must forward their Proofs of Debt to me.
PERCY PHILLIPS, Liquidator.

Re: SIMPSON & COLLINS (BUILDERS & PLUMBERS MERCHANTS) LTD.
and
THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above named Company will be held at 76 New Cavendish Street, London W1M 8AH, on Thursday, 4th day of May, 1978 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.
Dated this 18th day of April, 1978.
GREGORY GEORGE THOMAS COLLINS, Director.

Re: THE OTHER CINEMA (EXHIBITION) LIMITED
and
The Companies Act, 1948.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above named Company will be held at 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W1M 8AH on Wednesday, 3rd day of May, 1978 at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.
Dated this 14th day of April, 1978.
NICHOLAS JOHN HART-WILLIAMS, Director.

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE UNITED SOCIETY FOR CHRISTIAN LITERATURE
Notice is hereby given that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above named Society will be held at Edinburgh House, 2 Eaton Gate, London SW1, on Tuesday, May 23rd, 1978 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of the following business:
(1) To elect a Chairman.
(2) To elect Members of Committee.
(3) To elect a Treasurer and Honorary Secretaries.
(4) To elect an Honorary Solicitor.
(5) To transact any other ordinary business of the Society.
Dated this 27th day of April, 1978.
A. GILMORE, General Secretary.
M. E. FOXELL, General Manager.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Governors will be held at The British Home and Hospital for Incurables, Crown Lane, Streatham, London SW16 3JB on Wednesday 24th May, 1978 at 4.00 p.m. to transact the ordinary business of such meeting.
By order of the Board of Management,
O. HORNE, Secretary.

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WEST EUROPE

EEC may be forced to decide by majority vote

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, April 28

Britain and the other three big EEC countries—France, West Germany and Italy—will have to accept a greater use of majority voting in the Council of Ministers if unacceptably long delays in reaching decisions are to be avoided in an enlarged Community of 12 states.

This is one of the most sensitive of the recommendations recently unveiled by the European Commission for coping with Spanish, Greek and Portuguese membership in the 1980s. More details of what Mr Roy Jenkins and his fellow commissioners have in mind have now been released.

Somewhat disingenuously, the commission insists that it has no intention of reviving an old quarrel on a particularly delicate point, on which the member states agreed to disagree when it last came to a head".

The commission's allusion is to the famous Luxembourg compromise of January, 1966. This was the price the Six paid for persuading the French to end a seven-month boycott of Council meetings caused by their violent objection to proposals being advanced at the time by the Commission.

The key clause of the Luxembourg compromise states that "where very important interests are at stake the discussion must be continued until unanimous agreement is reached". The effect has been that since then the Council has seldom taken decisions by majority vote, except on budgetary items.

This was not intended by the Rome treaty. The Commission accepts that the right of veto should remain as a "political safety net" to protect members' "fundamental interests". Unanimity would also still be required for such matters as treaty amendments or the admission of new members.

But the Commission argues that majority voting should be used not only where the treaty provides but also where there is "no imperious reason" for insisting on unanimity.

Under EEC voting procedure, members are each allotted a block of votes weighted according to population. Britain, France, Germany and Italy have 10 votes apiece, Belgium and Holland five each, Ireland and Denmark three each and Luxembourg two, giving a total of 58.

For a Commission proposal to be approved by the Council *not fewer* than 41 votes must be in favour. In a Community of 12, Brussels proposes that the present nine should retain their existing allocation of votes, with Greece and Portugal getting five each and Spain eight.

In a Council of 12, 51 votes out of the total strength of 76 would have to be cast in favour of a proposal. This would mean that two of the four big states voting together could no longer block a decision, as they can at present.



The replica of the Manneken Pis, "kidnapped" by Brussels students, is rescued by a fellow firefighter.

M Barre gives guidelines on wide range of labour relations

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, April 28

M Raymond Barre, the French Prime Minister, has sent a long letter to all employers and trades union organizations, setting out the conclusions he has drawn from his consultations with them over the past fortnight, and laying down guidelines for negotiations on employment, wages and working conditions in the public and private sectors.

What he proposes amounts to a marathon of discussions covering the whole range of labour relations between now and the end of the year.

These would, among other things, cover a Bill for the prolongation of last year's law providing for special conditions for the employment of school leavers; re-examination of the seventh state plan in the light of employment problems; "differentiated progression" of wages, and the setting of minimum wages with priority to increases for the lowest paid; revision of the minimum wage law in the light of results of branch negotiations; improvement of working conditions and worker participation in the decisions of management.

The Government will announce its own decisions on the raising of the minimum wage at Wednesday's Cabinet meeting. The minimum wage is expected to go up by 4.8 per cent, or 2 per cent more than the automatic increase provided by law, in view of the 2 per cent rise in the cost of living since December.

Further increases are scheduled on July 1 and December 1, in fulfilment of the Government's promise that the minimum wage will go up faster than the average scale of wages.

The reaction of the employers to M Barre's letter has been unenthusiastic. The employers appear to be rather irritated by the attempt to set limits o their discussions. The Employers' Federaion, to mark its independence, has arranged to start talks with union representatives from Wednesday, the day of the Cabinet meeting.

M Ceyrac, the chairman of the federation said it was desirable to draw a clear difference between the responsibilities of the state and those of employers and unions.

M Seguy, the CGT leader, considered that M Barre's letter did not "modify the prior policy of austerity", and ignored the gist of trade union proposals. But, M Seguy said, his organization would pursue all possibilities of real negotiations.

The white collar workers' union welcomed the Government's return to collective bargaining, and the expressed will to negotiate over industrial policy and employment. For the rest, it said, the Prime Minister's letter consisted of pious wishes.

The moderate Force Ouvriere gave the most positive response. M Barre's letter made negotiations possible in all fields of labour relations, its leader, M Bergeron, insisted.

The return by the Government to a moderate form of economic liberalism—by freeing industrial prices in stages, cutting down Government subsidies, and raising public fares and rates—is criticized by the left as an attempt to increase the profits of firms by levying the necessary funds from the purchasing power of consumers.

The employers also complain of a lack of coherence in Government policy. It increased public rates but prevented employers from passing this in higher industrial prices for several months.

What the man in the street is most sensitive to is not the long-term economic strategy for the Government, but the short-term rise in prices. The price index for last month is, as expected, poor—0.9 per cent—and is not likely to improve soon. Hence the importance of the outcome of the negotiations about to open.

M Chirac wins a round in fight with President

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, April 28

When President Giscard d'Estaing supported in his 1974 election campaign the idea of an elected mayor for Paris, he could not have imagined that the first incumbent would be M Jacques Chirac, and that the new Mayor would get the almost complete backing of the Paris Council in his first clash with the state.

An extraordinary session of the council was called yesterday by M Chirac to consider the Government's insistence that Paris should pay 292m francs (£34,353,000) for the upkeep of its police force this year.

M Chirac argued that the city should contribute only 150m francs, on the grounds that Paris paid 40 times more than big provicial centres for the police, and that many of the tasks imposed on the police, like protecting embassies, or providing official escorts, had nothing to do with the city or the protection of its citizens.

M Chirac was determined to make a firm stand on their latest issue, the more so since the city's budget for 1978 was based on halving the cost of the police, knuckling under to the Government would also have meant raising local taxes by 16.5 per cent instead of 10 per cent and going back on M Chirac's promise to limit the Parisians' tax burden if he became mayor.

The defence of the city's rights could not fail to win the approval of the Opposition in the council. After paying tribute to M Giscard, without whose "far-sightedness and political courage", the reform of the Paris statute could not have been voted, M Chirac told the council: "I attach the highest importance that the reform should not, under the influence of bad habits, be gradually—and especially so quickly"—disfigured and violated."

He emphasized that he would press for an early solution of all the financial problems existing between the state and the capital as a result of the new statute.

Lyons opens luxury Métro line

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, April 28

President Giscard d'Estaing is establishing his reputation as a driver on the Underground. For the second time within a few months, he drove a train today over a short stretch of the modernistic 10 kilometre Lyons Métro system, which he had just inaugurated. His mate on the footplate was M Barre, the Prime Minister.

At one time, it was feared that a stoppage of the city's public transport workers would spoil the inauguration ceremony. But they withdrew their strike notice in order not to annoy the local people, with which the new Métro is already a huge success.

The fact that the President came for the ceremony was balm to the wounded pride of the Lyonnais, who have been planning this Métro for 20 years. After working on it for five years, thy were vexed to have a short march stolen on them by the Marseillais with their new line.

The visit also symbolized the determination of the Government to enhance the role of Lyons as a European business and banking centre at the crossroads of Europe.

The Lyons Métro provides a more comfortable, speedy and quiet service than its Paris counterpart. Its trains of three coaches run on rubber tyres, the rails are mounted on the sleepers with "elastic ties". The orange coloured cars are capable of taking 160 seated passengers at a top speed of 60 mph. Eventually they will be driven automatically.

Mr Jenkins in Spain to gauge mood on EEC

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, April 28

Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the Commission of the EEC, met King Juan Carlos today at the Zarzuela Palace after dining with political leaders last night.

He is here in response to Spain's application to join the Community.

The purpose of the visit is not to negotiate anything but rather to gauge the situation.

Red Brigade man's claims damaging to communists

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He worked before being dismissed for absenteeism). Since there was an extremely hard job, he thinks that it was given to him as a test. He tried twice and failed. "Agnelli", he comments, "knows very well how to defend himself."

The objectives of the Red Brigades were always political, either in individual actions or in terms of long-term strategy. Every action was always subordinated until the last moment to its political usefulness, which was discussed by the leaders of the organization.

The first official reactions to the revelations are marked by this fact. It is an accepted part of the character of the Red Brigades that each cell is autonomous and its members do not know what other branches of the organization are engaged in. Yet, Signor Piancone states, "he knew of this vast plan of this fearful thing" was his phrase) to launch an attack on the state after the Moro kidnapping.

The communists were far too quick in condemning out-of-hand the whole affair which, in the words of a leading figure in the party, "simply smells".

How could a journalist enter a room in which a prisoner was under close and continuous guard? It would be amusing if it were not "grotesque and grave".

Passages in the conversation were damaging to the Communists. Signor Enrico Berlinguer, the leader of the party, is dismissed as "a boss". But the most serious allegation is that "many communists are in agreement with us but are forced to keep quiet, at times even to demonstrate against us, by the strongarm squads organized by the party".

Signor Piancone is quoted as alleging that in the case of violent repression of terrorism by the state, "it will be the Communist Party which will guarantee our physical survival". The party would never allow the state to use measures that were too strong against the Brigades.

There were plans ready in the event of violent reprisal by the authorities. The Brigades were capable of blowing up several barracks simultaneously. He added that the terrorists saw no need to infiltrate the police.

Masked gunman holds hostages in Austrian bank

From Our Correspondent
Vienna, April 28

Eighteen hostages are being held at gunpoint by a masked man in a bank in Linz. He claims to be a member of the Italian Red Brigades and of the West German terrorist Red Army Group. Police doubt this as he operated alone and, they say, he seems confused.

The man is demanding a personal talk with Herr Erwin Lanc, the Austrian Minister of the Interior. An earlier demand for a supply of rucksacks, black scarves and rope were met by the police, but requests for food supplies were ignored.

The man ran into the Sparkasse Bank, shortly after it opened today and shouted: "This is the Red Brigade. This is a hold-up'. In the confusion some staff and clients escaped, including the bank manager, who alerted the police.

When the police arrived they were warned off by machine-gun fire. During the day three hostages were released and a detective was allowed into the bank to collect a letter containing demands.

Bomb destroys Bilbao cinema during strike

From Our Correspondent
Madrid, April 28

A powerful bomb destroyed a cinema in the Basque city of Bilbao today on the fifty-sixth day of a strike which has closed nearly all the cinemas there. No one was injured.

The explosion was set off by four or five armed men and one woman who forced their way into the cinema.

The owner of the cinema chain, Señor Manuel Renedo, has received several threats against his life an dhis property durin gthe strike.

OVERSEAS

This is the second dispatch from 'The Times' correspondent in Eritrea

Ethiopian bombs bring ruin to province but fighters are volunteering by the thousand

From Ian Murray
Mendefera, April 21 (delayed)

The daily air raid came at 11.36 this morning. First there was the crash of two rockets being fired and only then the roar of the Mig21's engines as it flashed by overhead.

This time there was no casualty except self respect as people scattered screaming across the streets to find useless shelter against the frail cracked walls of the houses.

The speed of the attack made the women jammed together in the culvert under the Asmara road glad that they had chosen to spend another day under the ground. The mothers nursing their children in the crowded cellars of the Roman Catholic mission school felt the security was worth the discomfort.

The very nature of this war means that it will be many days before a report of what is happening today can reach the outside world. By the time it does there will have been many other raids and perhaps many deaths, but that will make no difference to the central truth.

That truth is that the vast majority of the people of Eritrea are now prepared to face genocide rather than remain under Ethiopian rule. There are more than three million Eritreans, and Ethiopia and its allies must be prepared to kill most of them to win the war over the area's status.

The air raids have increased since Ethiopia pushed the Somalis out of the Ogaden. The Eritreans are convinced that a major offensive must come soon and recruitment to their army has never been higher, with young men and boys volunteering by the thousand in a mood of fervent enthusiasm.

The Eritreans are certain that their soldiers are the best in the world and their military success in driving the Ethiopians out of everywhere except five towns in the region increases their confidence.

But success has also meant an increase in the air raids. Unable to stand up to the guerrilla fighters on the ground, the Ethiopians now try to shatter the people's spirity from the near safety of the air. Only one Mig has so far been shot down.

The raids are having a profound effect on daily life. The towns are largely deserted in the daytime. A few merchants open their shops and some stallholders in the market lay out their tomatoes, peppers and onions; but most of the people walk out of town before sunrise to spend the day sheltering under the trees rather than risk a raid.

The tip-up lorry that serves as an ambulance for the hospital carries those patients able to stand the journey out to the countryside. Those too ill to move are put in air raid shelters in the hospital grounds.

The town's shelters are only log-covered holes in the earth. When one received a direct hit two weeks ago, 26 people died.

The town's hospital was meant to deal with civilian cases, and in the early months after Mendefera's liberation last August 30 babies were born there each week. Now only complicated cases are admitted, to leave more room for soldiers.

The hospital was built to accommodate 60 patients but when a battle is raging more than 120 a day arrive to be treated. There are many amputations to be done.

The only surgeon is Gebreab Tmariam, who trained at the American Hospital in Asmara. For 11 years he worked in the operating room there—as a scrub nurse. He now relies on his memory of what he saw the surgeons doing then to carry out major operations. Most of them have to be carried out at night by candlelight because there is no electricity.

He has limited supplies of anesthestics and what drugs he has are often ineffective. Some have passed their expiry date and others, made in Germany, carry instructions in a language nobody can understand. He dreads a case of tetanus for he knows he must just watch the patient die.

Flies and filth are everywhere but the helpers have left town for the countryside. Apart from the scrub nurse surgeon, the hospital's only trained people are a health visitor and a laboratory technician.

The nearest available fully equipped hospital is in Sudan—two nights of bumping, lurching driving and two days of hiding in the fields from air attacks. Few seriously ill people could survive the journey.

The air raids stop at nightfall and the towns come alive. The children go to school at sunset and work by candlelight, their eyes screwed up as they strain to see.

They spend their art lessons drawing pictures of fighters beating the Ethiopians. They all say they want to be fighters when they grow up. "Fighters" are not simply people who shoot Ethiopians. They are those prepared to fight for production, for health, for literacy or for any of the many things the country needs.

These youngsters want to go to university rather than the battlefield, but they are clearly prepared to do both. From a very young age they are taught that they must struggle for their country.

To an outsider the education looks like mass brainwashing. Not only the children but the fighters, workers, women and youth are all urged to attend mass meetings where they are taught the principles of their revolution.

It is not just a revolution against Ethiopia, but a revolution against all the colonial and capitalist factors they are told have dominated the history of their country. Independence and Marxism arenow inextricably intertwined and the people believe in both deeply.

Eritreans are fighting and dying by the hundred. The country is materially in ruins with no safe roads or telephones or drugs, no industry worthy of thename and scarcely enough food to go round.

By day the people are reduced to a cowering, frightened mass and by night are forced to live by candlelight. But they are prepared to die for their cause.

Reports of 200 bodies in streets as Kabul fighting continues

From Richard Wigg
Delhi, April 28

Sporadic fighting continued today in Kabul, according to diplomatic reports, after yesterday's bloody coup in Arghanistan in which President Muhammad Daoud, who had ruled the country for almost five years, was killed.

Afghanistan's frontiers remained sealed today, commercial flights scheduled from Delhi were suspended, and the only information coming out was by diplomatic radio.

President Daoud was killed together with his brother, Muhammad Naim, after he had called a Cabinet meeting to discuss the countr's mounting crisis. The rebel leaders in the Afghan Air Force and units of the Army apear to have taken this as a signal to launch their coup.

It is still unclear whether this was a reemptive strike to remipose law and order after rioting which followed the murder of Mir Akbar Khaibar, founder of the pro-Moscow Communist Party, a fortnight ago, or whether the aim was to instal a more outright left-wing regime than that of President Daoud, who was the former King's brother-in-law.

Diplomatic sources speculated that all the Cabinet ministers, including General Razuli, the Army chief of staff, were also killed by the rebels.

It is not clear yet who effectively heads the rebel junta Kabul radio spoke of a military Revolutionary Council of the Armed Forces, saying that it is headed by Lieutenant-Colonel Abdul Khadir.

But today it was also reported to be broadcasting appeals to former senior members of the ousted regime to declare their allegiance to the junta. Colonel Khadir is said to have invited the chief of the armed services to a meeting tomorrow.

The broadcasts made in the junta's name today accused President Daoud of handing over the country's wealth "to his family and foreign agents".

There are reports of 200 bodies lying in the Kabul streets. Fighting in the capital and outlying regions was said today to include strafing by aircraft and mortar and rocket exchanges between Air Force and Army units.

The junta has been adoting revolutionary language, speaking of the former regime being ended "by the will of masses".

However, Colonel Khadir participated with President Daoud in the coup of July, 1973, which ended the monarchy. He was first made chief of the Air Force and then demoted to deputy chief.

Paris: Members of President Daoud's family have sought refuge in the French Embassy at Kabul, according to diplomatic sources.

Bonn: Three West Germans were wounded during the fighting in Kabul, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: The British Embassy in Kabul reported that it has not heard of any Britons being in difficulties. There are about 120 Britons in Afghanistan.

Mrs Thatcher to meet the Shah today

From Our Special Correspondent
Teheran, April 28

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Leader of the Opposition, tonight arrived in the Iranian capital for her first visit to the country which is so crucial to Western interests in the Middle East.

The Conservative leader, who will stay until Tuesday, is due to see the Shah tomorrow and address a luncheon of the Iranian-British Chamber of Commerce before dining in the evening with Sir Anthony Parsons, the British Ambassador.

On Sunday she will meet Mr Jamshid Amouzegar, the Prime Minister, Mr Houshang Ansary, the new chairman of the Iranian National Oil Corporation, and tour the Iranian national car factory near here.

Security on Nixon book reported to be successful

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, April 28

All those connected with the publication of RN: The Memoirs of Richard Nixon, today breathed a sigh of relief that plans to begin publishing extracts from the book on Sunday seemed unlikely to be forestalled by some enterprising reporter from a publication which has not purchased the material.

Security precautions to prevent a recurrence of the Washington Post scoop in obtaining a large chunk of The Ends of Power, written about the Watergate years by Mr H. R. Haldeman, Mr Nixon's closest aide, have been successful, a spokesman for The New York Times, said today. The paper is handling the book's serial rights.

The Washington Post published a long summary of the latter two thirds of Mr Haldeman's book a few days before its rival publications were due to begin publishing extracts. This caused consternation among publishers and angered newspapers like *The Washington Star* which then had to rush into print with their extracts.

About 60 publications, half of them in the United States, have purchased syndication rights including *The Washington Star*; but *The Washington Post*, which has always made the running in the Watergate scandal, has not.

American news magazines like *Time* and *Newsweek* have not bothered to buy. This probably reflects the widespread belief here that after his interviews with Mr David Frost, Mr Nixon will probably not have many new disclosures in his autobiography.

Mr Mondale starts tour of Asia

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, April 28

Vice-President Walter Mondale sets off tomorrow on a five-nation tour of Asia which is designed to reassure America's allies in the region that their security will be fully upheld by Washington.

His visits to the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, Australia and New Zealand are the first stage in an effort by the Administration to give greater prominence to its Asian policy. The second stage will take place next month when Mr Zbigniew Brzezinski, the President's national security adviser, travels to China, Japan and South Korea.

Senior officials in Washington say that one of the principal aims of Mr Mondale's discussions will be to assure the leaders he meets that President Carter's plans to withdraw American troops from South Korea over the next few years will not upset the balance of power in the area.

He will doubtless point out that the administration is to build up its air force presence in South Korea

Another topic which is expected to be raised in all the countries he visits is the plight of refugees from Vietnam and Cambodia. In Thailand, in particular, he intends to offer American assistance to alleviate the hardship confronting them.

Washington apparently believes that Thailand has done more than its fair share in helping the refugees and hopes that some of the other Asian countries will prove more amenable to accepting them than they have in the past.

In countries such as the Philippines and Indonesia, where human rights conditions leave much to be desired, the Vice-President is likely to be discreetly critical in his talks with government leaders. But because the main purpose of his tour is to nurture friendly relations with the United States, he is unlikely to single out human rights violations for castigation in public.

South Africa refuses to train Transkei troops

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg, April 28

Soldiers from Transkei will not be allowed to take part in courses with the South African Army until diplomatic relations with South Africa are restored.

This was announced today by Defence Force headquarters in Pretoria. It is the latest blow for Transkei since it broke off diplomatic ties with South Africa two weeks ago.

Shortly before the diplomatic break, Transkei ordered South African instructors, who have been helping to train its fledgling battalion-sized army, to leave the country.

Transkei has now been told that a course arranged at the South African School of Infantry for Transkei solders has been cancelled, although courses now in progress will be completed.

A South African defence spokesman said today: "The whole question of training will be reconsidered with the normalizing of relations between the two countries."

The Johannesburg Afrikaans language newspaper, *Die Vaderland*, today claimed that the restoration of diplomatic links was only a matter of time. It said that Paramount Chief Kaiser Matanzima, the Transkei Prime Minister, now realized that his government's close ties with South Africa were more important that he had thought, and no international recognition of Transkei had resulted from the diplomatic break.

In Cape Town today, Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, announced that the Venda homeland in the north-eastern Transvaal is to become the third homeland to be given "independence".

No date has been fixed but an hour-long meeting with Mr Vorster, Chief Patrick Mphephu, its chief minister, formally asked for independence by mid-1979.

Murdoch move will increase friction with 'Post' staff

From Michael Leapman
New York, April 28

In a move certain to sharpen antagonism between staff and management, Mr Rupert Murdoch has begun to "redeploy" some journalists on the *New York Post* who have rejected his redundancy terms.

Mr Murdoch, who has owned the evening paper for 16 months, has sought the resignation of 145 of the 450 members of the newspaper Guild on the paper, comprising journalists and some commercial employees.

Only 25 have so far accepted his terms, and this week his management began assigning some of the others to different posts. Mr Martin Fischbein, Mr Murdoch's special assistant, explained today that the changes were necessary because "people are not working as well as they might" as a result of the continued friction between the management and the guild.

Peace talks at the offices of the Federal Mediation Service in Washington this week have drifted to an end without agreement. Mr Murdoch is determined to prune staff because, according to Mr Fischbein, comparisons with other papers show that there are nearly double the number of journalists on the paper, in terms of internally generated copy, than the national average.

Mr Murdoch originally asked for the resignation of people he said were out of sympathy with the kind of paper he is trying to create. By this he means those who disapprove of the increasingly sensational approach he has taken

The paper sold 489,000 copies a day when he bought it. It is now up to 615,000.

Mr Fischbein said today: "He wants to experiment and try new things. To do that he has to have a staff that is productive and efficient, a staff that he has confidence in and that has confidence in him."

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OVERSEAS

Mr Vance finds way to placate Congress on arms package deal

From David Cross
Washington, April 28

The United States Administration appeared today to have avoided an immediate clash with Congress over President Carter's controversial plans to sell advance fighter aircraft to Saudi Arabia and Egypt as well as Israel.

The Defence Department was to submit today its formal proposals for the delivery of 50 aircraft to Israel, 60 to Saudi Arabia and 50 to Egypt.

Supporters of Israel on Capitol Hill have objected strongly to the Administration's position that the sales represent a single package deal and that the rejection by Congress of any one element would lead to withdrawal of all three sales by the President.

Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, and leading members of Congress have been trying for some day to find a way of avoiding an unpleasant dispute. The solution which emerged here today was a letter from Mr Vance to Senator Frank Church, a key member of the Senate foreign relations comittee, which recognizes the full rights of Congress to review each of the proposed sales on their individual merits".

This and other assurances in the letter have been accepted by Senator Church as a significant concession. He said today that the letter "appears to untie" the Administration's earlier insistence of a package deal to all three countries.

Nevertheless, as Mr Vance points out in the letter, Mr Carter "reserves judgment on the ultimate action to be taken until he has had an opportunity to review the action" taken by Congress on each of the deals.

In other words, the Administration has not retreated from its earlier intention of treating the three sales as a single deal. But it has decided that diplomatically the best thing to do is to postpone a final decision about what it should do if Congress rejects any part of the package.

Administration officials remain confident that Congress will not be able to muster the required majority votes to overturn the President's plans.

Meanwhile, Mr Moshe Dayan, Israel's Foreign Minister, has ended two days of talk: here with Mr Vance in an optimistic frame of mind. Mr Vance, however, would only describe the discussion on ways of revitalizing the Middle East peace negotiations as "useful".

In an interview with he New York Times published today, Mr Dayan said the talks had centred on the problem of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. "We are all trying to avoid a deadlock", he said.

Mr Dayan refused to disclose details of "new ideas" put forward during the talks. They will now be considered by the Israeli and American Governments, he said.

A further round of consultations will take place here on Monday when Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, is expected to meet both Mr Carter and Mr Vance.



Carter critic to retire: Major-General John Singlaub, who has twice publicly criticized President Carter's military policies, agreed to resign yesterday after being summoned to the Pentagon. Last year he said Mr Carter's proposed withdrawal of American troops from Korea would provoke war. This week he criticized the President's failure to proceed with production of the neutron bomb.

Trafficker in drugs is hanged in Singapore

Singapore, April 28.—A drug trafficker was hanged today in a dawn execution which underlined the determination of South-East Asian Governments to deal firmly with narcotics offenders.

Teh Sin Tong, aged 28, a Malaysian labourer from Penang, was the first person to be executed under legislation introduced in Singapore three years ago which made the death penalty mandatory for anyone convicted of trafficking in more than 15 grams of heroin.

Nine more convicted drug traffickers are in the death cells at Changi prison.

In Thailand, two Chinese arrested recently for drug trafficking may face execution. Three drug traffickers were executed in Bangkok 18 months ago.

Foreigners have also been given severe penalties for drug offences, although none has been sentenced to death. Rim Nightingale, a British nurse, is serving 20 years in a Thai prison for heroin possession, and Robert Allan Symes, an Australian, was sentenced to life imprisonment in Malaysia for drug offences.—Reuter.

Thai-Malaysian force hits rebels

From Peter Hazelhurst
Kuala Lumpur, April 28

Thailand, the key to the security of South-East Asia, has launched a new two-pronged military offensive to combat the growing threat of communist insurgency on its frontiers with Cambodia and Malaysia, General Lek Naeomali, the Thai Defence Minister, declared in Kuala Lumpur today.

In the first phase of the plan, a battalion of Malaysian troops swept across the border into southern Thailand yesterday to join Thai soldiers in a joint operation against hundreds of Malaysian insurgents who have regrouped in secret camps in the strategic frontier salient of Betong.

General Lek, who is visiting Malaysia to attend a bilateral border committee meeting, also confirmed unsubstantiated reports that Thai communist insurgents have joined forces with unpredictable Khmer Rouge troops on the Thai-Cambodian border.

Asked specifically whether Thai communists might be receiving training and assistance from the Khmer Rouge, General Lek said: "Yes, it might be so. We have now seized the bodies of Thai insurgents on the Cambodian border."

Western diplomats believe that an estimated 9,000 communist insurgents are operating in Thailand. They include 1,200 radical students who are reported to be making raids across the border from four base camps in Cambodia.

In addition an estimated 2,500 Malaysian insurgents, drawn from the three divided factions of the old Communist Party of Malaya, are still ensconced in safe havens across the border in southern Thailand.

Another 400 Malaysian terrorists, belonging to the fifth, sixth and tenth assault units, have retreated into hidden jungle camps in the provinces of Perak, Pahang and Kelantan in west Malaysia.

In the latest strike against communist bases in southern Thailand, three Thai soldiers were killed yesterday as a joint task force of 1,500 Thai and Malaysian troops, supported by heavy artillery, advanced through the jungles of Betong, which juts down into northern Malaysia.

Describing the objectives of the joint operation in southern Thailand, General Lek told journalists:

"This is a medium-sized operation against hundreds of terrorists who have regrouped in the Betong salient. Air support will be called in if necessary. We want to exert pressure on the terrorists to keep them on the run so they will not be given the chance to intimidate people. They have levied taxes in the area."

Both General Lek and Mr Gazalie Shafie, Malaysia's Minister for Home Affairs, also vehemently denied reports that Thai and Malaysian insurgents have received official military aid from Vietnam—the focus of the recent diplomatic policies of Bangkok and Kuala Lumpur.

Jail term of Yugoslav air controller halved

From Dessa Trevisan
Belgrade, April 28

The seven-year prison sentence passed on Gradimir Tasic the flight controller found guilty of causing the collision between two aircraft in which 176 persons were killed, has been cut by half by the Croatian Supreme Court.

The court ruled that a greater share of responsibility for the disaster rested with the Yugoslav civil aviation authority.

The collision, involving a British Airways Trident airliner flying to Istanbul and a Yugoslav DC9 en route to Cologne, occurred at 30,000ft over Zagreb in September, 1976.

Eight air traffic controllers, who were on duty at the time, were charged with criminal negligence but only Mr Tasic was found guilty and sentenced by the Zagreb district court last year. He alone had agreed that the Yugoslav DC9 could climb across the path of the British Trident which was coming from the opposite direction.

His sentence aroused worldwide protest by flight controllers. It was also regarded as establishing a dangerous precedent as it would increase the already high pressure under which flight controllers were working.

There have been appeals from various international associations for the Yugoslav court to reconsider the case.

In reaching the verdict the supreme court criticized the Yugoslav civil aviation authorities.

It found that the criteria for the selection of flight controllers were not adequate: training was insufficient; the number of staff was below requirements; and the rules lacked decision. All these factors contributed to slack discipline and confusion, it said.

The situation has since improved; but as a result the morale of flight controllers suffered so that 16 of the 35 controllers at Zagreb Airport have either resigned or been dismissed.

Reinforcements were brought from Belgrade but the staff is still regarded as insufficient to cope with an average of 16,000 aircraft flying over Zagreb each month.

The supreme court rejected an appeal by the prosecution against the acquittal of the seven other flight controllers who were on duty at the time of the disaster.

In brief

Radio disrupted by solar flare

Boulder, Colorado, April 28.—The largest solar flare in a decade erupted on the face of the Sun today, causing widespread disruptions of shortwave radio transmissions, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said.

The United States Coast Guard reported losing all radio contact with ships in the Atlantic an administration spokesman added. The flare covered an area on the sun 50 times the surface area of Earth.

MP for trial

Kuala Lumpur, April 28.—Mr Lim Kit Siang, leader of the Opposition in Malaysia, pleaded not guilty in the High Court to charges of violating the Official Secrets Act. His trial was set for July 17.

Miners rescued

Johannesburg, April 28.—Twelve black miners trapped since Wednesday a mile and a half underground were rescued today but at least eight others are still missing in the Buffelsfontein gold mine, 90 miles south-west Johannesburg.

Financier can leave

San José, Costa Rica, April 28.—Robert Vesco, the fugitive American financier, was today granted permission to leave Costa Rica for 75 days, 24 hours after a court ruling to the same effect.

Refugees flee Burma

Dacca, April 28.—Ten thousand refugees, most of them Muslims, fled to Bangladesh from Burma today saying they had been turned out of their homes at gunpoint by the army.

Death sentence on escaped leader of Turkish faction

From Our Correspondent
Ankara, April 28

A court in Izmir today imposed three death sentences in the trial of members of the "Turkish Workers' and Peasants' Liberation Army", an extreme leftist group better known as "Tikko".

Two of the sentences were immediately commuted to life imprisonment by the judges, but the death penalty against the group's leader, Orhan Bakir, being tried *in absentia* was upheld.

Mr Bakir escaped from an Izmir hospital where he was undergoing treatment while in custody last year.

Ten other members of the group, including three girls, received jail sentences ranging from 33 to 50 months and six were acquitted. The "Tikko" members were found guilty of a number of bank robberies in Izmir, but were sentenced under an article of the Turkish penal code which sets death as the penalty for "attempts to overthrow by force the existing political regime".

In Ankara, Mr Tekin Alp, the provincial governor, wrote to the state prosecutor's office asking that the "Hearths of Idealism Association", an extremist right-wing group blamed for much of the political violence in Turkey, be banned.

Mr Alp said that 53 members of the group had been arrested last year in Ankara alone, and charged with murder, assault, extortion and violations of the firearms laws.

He said the association had been linked with a number of bomb attacks, had forced people to make "contributions", and had been generally responsible for the loss of freedom of education in the capital.

Mr Alp asserted that there was evidence linking the group to former Vice-Premier Alpaslan Turkes's extreme rightist Nationalist Action Party and said this alone was sufficient ground for the organization to be closed.

Children wreck Lagos buses in school fees protest

Lagos, April 28.—Groups of secondary school children blocked main roads in mainland Lagos today and systematically wrecked government vehicles in a resurgence of Nigeria's two-week-old education crisis.

The children, some barely into their teens, smashed all the windows on at least a dozen city buses, forcing crews and passengers to abandon them. By mid-afternoon, traffic was at standstill on the main road out of Lagos Island.

The frightening sight of small groups of children, aged 13 and 14, rampaging unchallenged through peak-hour traffic gave a new dimension to the crisis which followed the announcement of increased boarding fees and school food charges.

At least nine people have died so far in police-student clashes and the principal universities have been closed.

The children today renewed a call for the resignation of Colonel Ahmadu Ali, the Education Minister. — Agence France-Presse.

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: Brigadier Joseph Garba, the Nigerian Minister for External Affairs, called on Mr Callaghan at 10 Downing Street yesterday for an informal discussion on southern Africa. Dr David Owen, the Foreign Secretary, was also present.

Returning left-wing exile quickly expelled by Chile

From Florencia Varas
Santiago, April 28

The Chilean Government has expelled the first exile who has tried to return to the country since the recent amnesty decree was signed.

Señor Cesar Godoy Urrutia, aged 77, a member of the Communit Party central committee and a former MP, was deported yesterday soon after arriving from Mexico where he has been living since leaving Chile after the 1973 military coup.

The amnesty decree states that the Chilean exiles, estimated to be 20,000, may return only after the Ministry of the Interior studies and approves applications which they must first file with the Chilean Consulate in their present country of residence. The authorities said that Señor Godoy Urrutia had failed to follow this procedure.

He isnow in Buenos Aires where the Argentine Government has allowed him to stay up to 48 hours under the protection of the United Nations High Commission. Meanwhile, his lawyer presented a motion to the Courtof Appeal asking that his client be allowed to return home.

President Augusto Pinochet of Chile declared yesterday that "those bad politicians who believe that the moment has arrived to renew the party fight are mistaken".

By "bad politicians" he meant "those who from 1970 to 1973 brought the country to chaos and put their own ambitions for power before the interests of the nation." Good politicians were those "collaborating with the military Government".

The Ministry of the Interior decided yesterday not to authorize the mass demonstration which 31 trade union organizations had planned for May Day.

Why Soviet factory lost 40 minutes

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, April 28

A worker turned up 13 minutes late at the Krasnaya Proletariya (Red Proletarian) factory in Leningrad.

As he clocked in, the supervisor gave him a five minute lecture on his tardiness. Then he was reprimanded for another 10 minutes by his boss. A fellow worker, eager to show his keenness, then put down his tools and came over to harangue him. Altogether 40 working minutes were lost in "disciplining" the man.

This incident made the employees think. They calculated that three times as much time is spent reprimanding workers as the hours lost by poor labour discipline. Where, they asked, were the industrial sociologists who could point out this folly?

Industrial sociology is really what the West would understand as time and motion studies. These are still in their infancy in Soviet factories. But *Pravda* has used the Krasnaya Proletariya example in response to a letter from a reader in Omsk, who wanted to know how the leading factories in the country were taking social factors into account in the fight to increase efficiency—the watchword of the Communist Party's present industrial strategy.

The factory reported that unpunctuality and poor labour discipline were commonly thought to be the root cause of low productivity. But sociological research showed that this accounted for less than 1 per cent of the loss. Far more important was the confusion caused by having several different bosses. Heads of departments and laboratories were found to be receiving orders from six to eight people, and the same was true of workers on the shop floor.

The factory administration, the Communist Party and trade union, according to the *Pravda* report, then tried streamlining the chain of command, and found that if a worker was made responsible to only one boss, his productivity went up one and a half times.

The industrial sociologists in the factory played a key role in pinpointing the trouble. One other Leningrad factory and one in Lvov in the Ukraine have for 10 years based their organization on the work of their "sociologists", apparently with great success. They are now drawing up their second five-year plan on the basis of these findings.

But the Krasnaya factory complained it was only the enthusiasm of individual plants that brought in the services of the sociologists. They were not usually on the regular payroll, and where they were, it was not on the basis of their special knowledge.

No institute in the country trained industrial sociologists, *Pravda* complained. There was no cooperation in social planning at factory level, nor did "sociological services" in Soviet industry have any status.

This complaint has to be seen against the generally depressed state of sociology in the Soviet Union. The subject can too easily raise ideological hackles, especially if the findings do not tally with what the party desires. Industrial sociology is a dangerous area, as a genuine sample of workers' attitudes might not bear out the selfless devotion to labour so often proclaimed as a main achievement of communism.

Nevertheless, in the drive for industrial quality and efficiency, what motivates the workers is probably one of the most pressing questions.

Defence chief asks Chinese to visit Britain

Peking, April 28.—Marshal of the RAF, Sir Neil Cameron, Chief of the Defence Staff, tonight told Marshal Hsu Hsiang-Chien, the Chinese Defence Minister, he hoped the minister would authorize visits to Britain by officers of China's armed forces, "to examine some of our technology".

The Defence Minister replied: "When the opportunity comes, we will go."

Sir Neil was tonight talking with Marshal Hsu, Chang Ting-fa, Air Force commander and Hsiao Chingkuang, Navy commander.—Reuter.

Correction

In a report from Lusaka in *The Times* last Monday it was wrongly stated that the leadership of the Zimbabwe African People's Union was dominated by the Karanga [illegible] should have been

Easter service to be broadcast back to Russia

By Our Religious Affairs Correspondent

The BBC is to broadcast Russian Orthodox Easter services recorded in Moscow and Tula cathedrals on its Russian service this weekend, the Russian Orthodox Easter. They were recorded last Easter by Mr Janis Sapietz, a current affairs researcher in the BBC's Eastern European service.

This will be the first time that the BBC has broadcast back to Russia services recorded in Russia. Mr Sapietz made the recordings while an official guest of the Russian Orthodox Church, with permission. The BBC has already broadcast Russian Orthodox services recorded at the Russian Cathedral in London, and plans to increase this output considerably.

The BBC estimates that its Russian service has an audience of about four million. A spokesman said it was believed that large numbers of Russians would want to attend church on Easter Sunday, but would be unable to do so because of a shortage of churches

Law Report April 28 1978 — Court of Appeal

Chelsea keep out the bailiffs

Prestige Publications Limited v Chelsea Football and Athletic Company Limited

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Goff and Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce

Execution on a judgment debt obtained against Chelsea Football Club was stayed under Order 47, rule 1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, in the interest of all the creditors of the club.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by plaintiffs, Prestige Publications Ltd, of Dorking, Surrey, from Mr Justice Croom-Johnson's order of February 28, granting Chelsea Football and Athletic Co Ltd a stay of execution on the judgment against them for £7,561 for the price of football programmes ordered by Master Lubbock on February 9. The stay had been ordered provided that 20 per cent of the judgment was paid within 28 days and the club undertook to treat the plaintiffs in the same way as their other unsecured creditors. Liberty to apply had been given.

Order 47, rule 1 (1) provides: "Where a judgment is given or an order made for the payment by any person of money, and the court is satisfied, on an application . . . by the judgment debtor . . . (a) that there are special circumstances which render it inexpedient to enforce the judgment or order . . . the court may stay the execution of the judgment . . ."

Mr W. A. Blackburne for the plaintiffs; Mr Ronald Walker for Chelsea.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that in 1975 Chelsea, a famous club who played at Stamford Bridge, had been relegated to the Second Division. They had now been promoted to Division One and were fortunate to have footballers of outstanding ability. The club had got into financial difficulties and their future was in danger. They had incurred enormous debts. They had redeveloped Stamford Bridge and put in a new east stand costing £2,500,000. In view of recent safety requirements, they had had to spend another £250,000. Creditors for £350,000 had been coming down on them.

In July, 1976, a meeting of creditors had been held. An informal moratorium had been agreed upon for 12 months. In July, 1977, at a similar meeting, a substantial number of creditors had agreed that there should be a further 12 months' moratorium and practically all the remainder had tacitly agreed to take no action upon the sums claimed.

The plaintiffs had brought an action in the High Court for the money due to them. Chelsea had no answer, and judgment was given against them. In the ordinary way the bailiffs would come down and put in execution. The master did not allow any stay but Mr Justice Croom-Johnson had ordered a stay upon terms under Order 47.

Now that Chelsea were back in Division One their receipts had gone up and a number of repayments had been made. There had been two lots of payments of 10 per cent to the unsecured creditors. It was hoped to make a further 10 per cent payment in June. The plaintiffs had been offered 20 per cent but had refused it. The judge had granted the stay on the condition that 20 per cent was paid to the plaintiff and that they would be treated in the same way as the other unsecured creditors.

It was said that the judge was in error and ought to have allowed creditors to enforce their judgments. That would do little good, for the club would have to close down.

It was said that the proper machinery for the club to use was the statutory procedure for a compromise with creditors provided by section 206 of the Companies Act, 1948. That argument could not prevail. There was no reason to draw a distinction between execution under Order 47 and garnishee and charging orders under Orders 49 and 50. Lord Justice Megaw in *Burston Finance Ltd v Godfrey* ([1976] 1 WLR 719, 732) set out the competing views as to the exercise of the discretion.

It was wise for the court not to limit its discretion by precise rules but at the most, to set out guidelines.

On the material outlined and on the facts, if execution did proceed against the club, all that the club could do would be to ask for a formal moratorium under section 206. It was said that it would cost about £5,000 to put all that machinery through. If that were to be used for lawyers' costs there would be so much less for the creditors. Lord Justice Megaw in the *Burston Finance* case had stated the equitable principle in favour of a stay in the interests of all the creditors.

Execution should be stayed in the interests of all the creditors. The appeal should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE GOFF, concurring, said that he believed that there was only one club in Division One who had never been relegated.

Lord Justice Buckley in *Rainbow v Moorgate Properties Ltd* ([1975] 1WLR 788, 792-793) had said that, in the exercise of its discretion, the court must consider other creditors.

The court should not seek to limit its discretion under Order 47 by tabulating the circumstances under which it would exercise it. The judge had not erred in principle.

LORD JUSTICE CUMMING-BRUCE, concurring, said that the vast majority of creditors wanted to enhance the standing of the club because the moratorium was gradually working its purpose out.

Solicitors: Allan Jay & Co for Philip Evans & Co, Bournemouth; Amhurst, Brown, Martin & Nicholson.

Chancery Division

Polygamous wife entitled to claim

In re Sehota (deceased)
Kaur v Kaur

Before Mr Justice Foster

The wife of a polygamous marriage has the right to claim financial provision from the estate of her deceased husband under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependants) Act, 1975.

His Lordship, on a preliminary point, decided that Mrs Surjit Kaur, of Reading, Berkshire, was a wife of her deceased husband, Ajit Singh Sehota, within the meaning of section 1(1)(a) of the Act and was accordingly entitled to claim provision from his estate.

Mr Nicholas Parten for the applicant, Mrs Surjit Kaur; Mr Kenneth Farrow for the executor and executrix, Mrs Gian Kaur, another wife of the deceased.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the deceased had an Indian domicile of origin when he married the applicant, also of Indian domicile, in 1937. The marriage was formally valid according to the Hindu religion and therefore under Indian law. In 1948 the deceased married the executrix, Mrs Gian Kaur, that marriage also being a Hindu marriage and formally valid under Indian law, as all were domiciled in India. In 1955 the Hindu Marriages Act made a Hindu polygamous marriage no longer valid, so the situation before the court could only apply to marriages before that Act.

The deceased died in 1976 in England, both he and his two wives having acquired an English domicile of choice. In 1970 the first wife ceased to live with the deceased and the second wife, and was not in fact being maintained by him at the time of his death. His will, made in 1970, left the whole of his residuary estate to the second wife, and the first wife, applied under the Act of 1975 for financial provision. By section 1(1)(a) the wife or husband of the deceased might apply for financial provision. There was no definition of wife in the Act, and so it was a question of construction whether Mrs Surjit Kaur came within the section.

It was not in dispute that such a marriage as the present was recognized as valid by English law, but the question was whether the rule in *Hyde v Hyde* ((1866) 1 PD 130) was still sufficiently in force to say that the claim for provision fell within it, as being a claim for matrimonial relief which the English courts would not entertain. Lord Penzance in that case decided that marriage as understood in Christendom was the voluntary union for life of one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others and that the English matrimonial court did not recognize a polygamous marriage as valid for the purpose of enforcing matrimonial duties or obtaining relief for a breach of matrimonial obligations. However, he did say that that court did not profess to decide upon the rights of succession or legitimacy which it might be proper to accord to the issue of polygamous unions.

In In Imam Din v National Assistance Board ([1967] 2 QB 213) the question arose whether the wife of a polygamous marriage was a wife within section 42 of the National Assistance Act, 1948. Lord Justice Salmon said that when a question arose of recognizing a foreign marriage or of construing the word "wife" in a statute, everything depended on the purpose for which the marriage was to be recognized and upon the objects of the statute. Lord Justice Salmon said that it was plain from the authorities that there were purposes for which a polygamous marriage would be recognized as valid in this country, and also that in some statutes the word "wife" could be construed as covering a polygamously married wife.

However, in his Lordship's judgment, the situation had been considerably altered by section 1 of the Matrimonial Proceedings (Polygamous Marriages) Act, 1972 (now section 47 of the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1973), which provided that a court in England and Wales should not be precluded from granting matrimonial relief or making a declaration concerning the validity of a marriage by reason only that the marriage was entered into under a law which permitted polygamy.

The issue in the present case arose under the Inheritance Act of 1975, three years after the Matrimonial Proceedings Act, which allowed relief under a polygamous marriage, and it would be strange if the word "wife" in the later Act had to be construed as restricting its meaning only to monogamous marriages. His Lordship did not think the 1975 Act was merely a consolidating Act so that he need to construe the words as he might have done the words in the Inheritance (Family Provision) Act, 1938. The 1975 Act considerably extended the class of persons who could claim under the 1938 Act.

There was no difficulty in practice under the 1975 Act in there being more than one person seeking relief. One often found that there were two or more claimants seeking relief, eg, a widow and infant children. In any event, he did not think Mrs Surjit Kaur was seeking matrimonial relief in the present application: she was asking for reasonable provision from her husband's estate.

It was a question of the law of succession and it never came within the ambit of the rule in *Hyde v Hyde*. Mrs Surjit Kaur was therefore within section 1(1)(a) of the 1975 Act as being the wife of the deceased and could claim provision under the Act.

Solicitors: Wilson & Berry, Camberley; Kidd, Rapinet, Badge & Co, Maidenhead.

Wife not in 'actual occupation'

Williams & Glyn's Bank v Boland and Another

Before Mr Justice Templeman

[Judgment delivered April 24]

His Lordship gave summary judgment for possession of mortgaged premises, although the mortgagor's wife claimed to be entitled to an overriding interest by virtue of having contributed to the purchase price and having been in "actual occupation" at the date of the mortgage and the date of registration. The judgment was in proceedings by Williams & Glyn's Bank Ltd against Mr Michael Boland and his wife, Mrs Julia Boland, in respect of a legal charge over premises in Ridge Park, Beddington, Surrey.

Mr Timothy Lloyd for the bank; Mr J. G. Boggis for Mr and Mrs Boland.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the legal charge, dated February 18, 1974, contained a covenant by Mr Boland to pay on demand all moneys or liabilities "now or hereafter" due from him to the bank on any account whatever, including moneys owed as guarantor. By a guarantee, dated April 1, 1974, he guaranteed up to £40,000 the debts and liabilities of Epsom Contractors Ltd in which he was interested. By a letter dated March 9, 1977, the bank demanded payment of £48,223 in respect of liabilities of the company, now in liquidation.

On November 24, 1977, a freehold site near Guildford, owned by the company and having established user rights as an agricultural yard covering use of civil engineering machinery, was sold at auction for £1,500, which Mr Boland claimed was at a gross undervalue. An affidavit from the purchaser said that he judged the sale to be an excellent bargain and that he would have been prepared to spend up to £17,500 for it. An affidavit from a chartered surveyor valued the site at about £22,500.

Mr Boggis submitted that a sale at an undervalue of that magnitude released Mr Boland from his guarantee, and claimed that summary judgment for possession was inappropriate.

In his Lordship's judgment, however, assuming that the valuation was correct, the company and Mr Boland would still be liable to the bank, after taking account of the real value of the site. After referring to *Chitty on Contracts* (24th ed), *Snell's Equity* (27th ed) and *Taylor v Bank of New South Wales* ((1886) 11 App Cas 596), his Lordship said that at the date of the sale the bank was owed £55,075, so that even if it had received £22,500 from the sale there would still be some £32,000 owing and that the bank was entitled to have recourse to its security.

Mr Boggis argued that the bank was not entitled to possession until the exact amount owing had been quantified; but even if the bank had been fully secured his Lordship considered that Mr Boland would not be entitled to remain in possession pending such quantification by the court.

A similar claim to remain in possession had been advanced by Mrs Boland. She claimed that, having contributed to the original purchase price of their home, the property was held by her husband on trust for sale for them both equally, or in shares corresponding to their respective contributions, and that as tenant in common in equity entitled to possession and being in actual occupation she was entitled to an overriding interest which subsisted at the date of the legal charge to the bank, and at the date of registration, so that the bank took subject thereto.

Under section 20 (1) of the Land Registration Act, 1925, a transferee of an estate in fee simple took subject to (a) incumbrances and other entries, if any, appearing on the register, and (b), unless the contrary was expressed on the register, to the overriding interests, if any, affecting the estate transferred, but free from all other interests, the disposition operating as if the registered transferor were entitled to a fee simple in possession for his own benefit. A disposition by a mortgagee under a legal charge had a similar effect. Section 3 of the Act defined "minor interests" as including, in the case of land held on trust for sale, all interests and powers which under the Law of Property Act, 1925, were capable of being overridden by the trustees for sale whether or not such interests were protected by the Act.

If Mrs Boland was right, her interest was as tenant in common in equity and thus in the proceeds of sale and was capable of being overridden by the trustees. The result of section 20, therefore, seemed to be that the bank was not affected by the minor interest which she claimed.

The question was considered in *Emmet on Title* (16th ed), where *Bridges v Mees* ([1957] Ch 475) and *Hodgson v Marks* ([1971] Ch 892) were referred to. In the first case the trust was constituted by virtue of adverse possession or by contract for sale and payment of the price; and, in the second, the registered proprietor held as bare trustee under a resulting trust for the real beneficiary. Neither case concerned a trust for sale, and in neither, therefore, was the argument open that the interest of the beneficiary was an interest in land held on trust for sale and therefore a "minor interest".

There was a further difficulty in Mrs Boland's path. A purchaser of registered land was only subject to an overriding interest as defined in section 70 of the Law of Property Act, subsection (1) (g) being the relevant overriding interest now prayed in aid, ie, the right of a person in actual occupation of the land or in receipt of the rents and profits thereof, save where inquiry was made of such person and the right was not disclosed.

If his Lordship were right in holding that Mrs Boland only had a minor interest, *cadit quæstio*, but if he were wrong she still had to show that she was in actual occupation.

In unregistered land, where the statutory provisions were different, it was held in *Caunce v Caunce* ([1969] 1 WLR 286), in language not fully considered by the Court of Appeal, that actual occupation did not extend to anyone in physical occupation whose presence was not inconsistent to the occupation of the person legally entitled to possession. But whatever the general position, it seemed to his Lordship that "actual occupation" for section 70(1)(g) did not include occupation by a wife or husband of the legal owner. Were it otherwise the position would be that a mortgagee must inquire not only whether the mortgagor's spouse was in occupation, and, if so, when, but also whether he or she claimed any beneficial interest in the property, and it was neither necessary nor desirable to construe "actual occupation" so as to have such a wide and almost catastrophic effect.

A spouse had been given rights capable of registration under the Matrimonial Homes Act, 1967, and the present argument would make nonsense of that Act provided that the spouse could say or allege at any time that she had contributed to the purchase price—a position that would be quite intolerable.

Accordingly it seemed that Mrs Boland was likewise not entitled to remain in occupation, and summary judgment for possession would be ordered against both defendants in eight weeks' time.

Solicitors: Stephenson, Harwood; Kanter, Jules & Co.

University news

Oxford

Elections:

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE, History fellowship, from October 1, M. G. A. Vale, DPhil, lecturer at York University.

NEALE COLLEGE, Junior research fellowship in geography: Dr M. J. Freeman, departmental demonstrator in Geography.

ST PETER'S COLLEGE: Schoolmaster studentships: P. Wright, BSc, Bournemouth School for Girls (Michaelmas term, 1978) and A. W. Gould, MA, MSc, City of London School (Hilary term, 1979).

Edinburgh

Professor N. J. Entwistle has been appointed to the Bell Chair of Education from October 1.

Dr D. C. Flanley, BSc, MB, ChB, PhD, has been appointed to the chair of respiratory diseases.

Lancaster

Sir Charles Carter is to resign as vice-chancellor from October 1, 1979, but will continue as chairman of the Research and management committee of the newly formed Policy Studies Institute for six years.

Football

More than dreams at stake for Spurs in throbbing backyard

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

For some Scots the football season could conceivably extend to June 25, the day of the World Cup final at the River Plate stadium in Buenos Aires, but for most Football League players rest or working holidays are imminent though not before a few important domestic issues are settled on this last Saturday of the term.

There will be no more exciting place to be than the Dell at Southampton, far removed from the giant World Cup stadiums, but a throbbing backyard of a ground where wingers almost brush shoulders with the crowd. Lawrie McMenemy, the Southampton manager, has two primary aims. They are to see his team win the championship and to modernize the Dell. By beating Tottenham Hotspur this afternoon the first of those dreams could be fulfilled, depending on the fortunes of Bolton who lead them by a point. For Tottenham there is more at stake than dreams. Defeat could sentence them to another season in the second division.

Another crucial match in this tripartite drama will also be played out on the south coast at Hove where Brighton must beat Blackpool to have any chance of completing a remarkable journey out of the third division to the first in consecutive seasons. Alan Mullery, their manager and himself a former Spur, now forgets old alliances and says: "Southampton can do us the best possible turn by beating Tottenham." He knows that if Brighton and Tottenham finish level on points Brighton will fall through inferior goal difference.

The top places in the second division, with goal difference, are:

	P	W	D	L	Diff	Pts
Bolton Wndrs	41	24	9	8	+39	57
Southampton	41	22	12	7	+31	56
Tottenham H	41	20	15	6	+34	55
Brighton	41	21	12	8	+24	54

Even if Southampton beat Tottenham they must wait to hear the result of Bolton's home match against Fulham before knowing whether they will be promoted as champions. A draw would seem the most likely result at the Dell where Southampton may have to play with an altered defence because Pickering, who has not missed a league match this season, has foot and knee injuries. Waldron may replace him. Tottenham have no injuries.

As a tribute to the 18 players in his first team pool, Ian Greaves, the Bolton manager, names them all for their last game of the season. Morgan, a former Manchester United winger, has a cracked rib but still wants to play against Fulham. There is only one relegation place left to fill in the first division and still four main candidates. In descending order they are Chelsea, West Ham United, Queen's Park Rangers and Wolverhampton Wanderers. Wolves and Chelsea have three games to play as some insurance but West Ham are playing their last match today against Liverpool, the Eurpean champions. All four clubs may have to wait until May 9 to know their fate. On that day Wolves play Ipswich Town at Portman Road.

West Ham will be encouraged to learn that Smith and Heighway will be missing from the Liverpool team and by their victory on Tuesday over Middlesbrough. Wolves, by comparison, have not won one of their last nine games and today have to face Manchester United who last weekend showed no sympathy for West Ham.

Queen's Park Rangers need three points from two matches for safety. The second of those games is against Chelsea at Stamford Bridge next Tuesday. Today they hope to make some capital out of the erratic form of Leeds United who have conceded six goals in their last two matches and may take the field at Loftus Road without Madeley and Hampton. Chelsea, aiming for two points from three games, could obtain one at Everton.



Mullery (left) will be praying that McMenemy (right) does his team a favour.

Equestrianism

Irish draw first blood with Condy

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

James Kernan and the brilliant young Condy, who won at Hickstead last year as a six-year-old, gave first blood to Ireland at the Embassy international meeting there yesterday. Fifteen jumped off against the clock, and Michael Whitaker, clear on Brother Scot in 35.5sec, came within half a second of the winning time. Nearest to these two young riders at the finish were Graham Fletcher on Cool Customer and Paddy McMahon on Streamline, who shared third place in 37.1sec.

Ladbrokes, back again with their bookmaking tent now that the International Equestrian Federation under Prince Philip have relaxed their ban on betting at show jumping meetings, proved themselves in need of the race (they have not been here since 1970) when they offered odds of 10 to 1 against Condy, who was in the winning team for the Aga Khan Trophy at Dublin last year. *The Daily Telegraph* correspondent left their tent wreathed in smiles despite the weather, and testified that winners seem easier to find in show jumping than in racing.

Show jumping, in fact, seemed somewhat tame fare after the Willis Hickstead cross-country event, which attracted a record 19 teams, including many soldiers, and was won for the second time in five years by The Eventers, the only team to win it twice. Represented by David Brown, John White, Ernest Fenwick, Gail Sturgis and Anna Buxton, they completed the 1½-mile course in 4min 16.4sec. Half a second behind were the Foxhunters, captained by Major John Ormrod, supported by Mrs Warburton Lee, Mrs A. Blaker, Mrs N. Bell and Nick Connors, son of a famous Leicestershire medico, Dr Tom Connors, and himself reading medicine at Trinity College, Dublin.

These two teams finished well clear of the field, which included a racing team led by Lord Oaksey, who enjoyed himself vastly despite two falls when his seasoned horse got into a ditch. A special mention for gallantry must go to the quinter of Irish Foxhunters led by Lord and Lady Petersham, who travelled their horses over from co Cork. Lady Petersham (the Irish international three-day event rider, Virginia Freeman-Jackson) had a fall in the farmyard, where her horse knocked himself on the timber and arrived home with a hind pastern streaming blood. He was led away, little the worse, with his owner's once-white stock (hunting tie) transferred from her neck to his leg.

Robert Woodward's Expressway, competing for the Melton Hunt Club, had to be put down after breaking his shoulder, but the new rule, according to which two fences, known as dressing fences, had to be jumped with the whole team riding abreast, meant that more than a modicum of control was exerted.

CASTELLA CIGARS STAKES: 1, J. Kernan's Condy (Ireland); 2, M. Whitaker's Brother Scot; equal 3, G. Fletcher's Cool Customer and P. McMahon's Streamline.

EMBASSY STAKES: 1, G. Widdowson's Inflation; 2, Mrs Jackson's Nonstar (C. Wares); 3, C. Wares's Dorten Dare.

CROSS-COUNTRY EVENT: 1, The Eventers; 2, The Foxhunters; 3, Household Cavalry A team.

ROME: Nations Cup: First placings after jump-off: France (H. Godignon on Electre II, F. Cottier on Babette, M. Henry on Derby, C. Cuyer on Bamby), 28 pts; 2, Ireland (J. Roche on Mullancrew, P. Darragh on Heather Honey, G. Mullins on Ashbourn, E. Macken on Kerrygold), 28; 3, Great Britain (H. Smith, D. Johnsey, F. Welch, D. Broome), 33; 4, Italy (F. Moyerson, A. Rossi, R. D'Inzeo, P. D'Inzeo), 46¼.

Golf

Baiocchi steals into the lead as all eyes are looking elsewhere

From Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent
Madrid, April 28

While two Britons, Howard Clark and Peter Townsend, were battling it out in the third round of the Madrid Open here today, taking all the crowd and most of the pressure with them, a South African, Hugh Baiocchi, hauled himself up into the lead with a 67, which made him five under the par of 216 for three rounds.

With four tied in second place, the issue is wid eopen. Ballesteros is perhaps less likely to pull something special out of the bag on this course than on any of the others where he has won. He is also faced with the problem of playing in front of his own people.

The hazards of watching a player for a couple of holes only were well illustrated in Baicchi's case. He missed a putt of no more than 18 inches on the fourth green, to go one over par, and then drove into a bunker at the fifth. He had to be abandoned, but he pitched well and a putt of six feet started a run of three birdies in the next four holes, which brought him to the turn in 34.

Baiocchi has never fallen far behind the lead this week, and his 73 the day before was the result of some of the best long golf he has played for years. But he took 34 putts then. He likes fast greens where he does not have to rap the ball, but today he went out and tried to take a more positive attitud ein playing these variable surfaces. The small one he missed on the fourth was his nadir.

He took a look at Canizares holding them from all over the green and decided he could do what the Spaniard was doing. The psychological boost worked and paid off admirably at the ninth where, from an awkward lie in the bunker, his ball came out 35 feet past the hole on that long, long green, and he holed the one back.

Baiocchi started back with three pars and at the 13th, after hitting a driver just short, he chipped in for an eagle two. He dropped a shot at the 14th, but that is just as hard a hole as the par five that follows, and where he scored a birdie. His final birdie came at the 17th where his tee shot finished one foot from the hole.

The South African has a good record on the Continent. He had no victories last year there, but his second place in the Order of Merit was largely due to four second places in Continental events, in addition to winning the British Match-Play.

The three overnight leaders seemed to get bogged down in a battle between themselves. Ballesteros came off worst, taking three putts three times coming in for a 74. Clark—you might guess—had a par 72, and Townsend 70. Townsend looked set for the lead on his own but he took three putts on each of the last two greens.

As they had started with two strokes between each of them, they ended up level at four under par, where they had been joined by Canizares, who had putted his way to the turn in 31, showing that the greens were not all that difficult.

It was a fascinating interchange between the three players. They were tied at the eighth, then each in turn got birdies at the next three holes and were level again. At this point Ballesteros looked the more relaxed, accepting with a smile several putts that just missed. There was probably more pressure on him than appeared, beause people so badly want a Spanish victory here, and quite a few do not understand why he cannot win all the time.

At last he hit a good tee shot off the 13th, but took three putts from no great distance, a shattering blow to morale. There were two more three-putts to come and by now Clark had caught the disease and made things worse by driving into rough at the long 14th and 15th and turning them both into sixes. This robbed him of the chance to lead, yet remarkably he is still there only one stroke behind it. Of the three it was Townsend's day. He holed out well, although he cannot be said to look at his ease when it comes to the short game, and it was on the greens that he conceded the lead to Baiocchi.

211, H. Baiocchi (S Africa), 71, 73, 67.
212, S. Ballesteros 66, 72, 74; J. Canizares 75, 69, 68; P. Townsend (GB), 71, 71, 70; H. Clark (GB), 70, 70, 72.
214, V. Barrios 73, 70, 71.
215, J. Cabo 71, 72, 72.
217, D. Hayes (S Africa), 75, 73, 69; M. Cabrera 78, 71, 68; M. McNulty (S Africa), 74, 72, 71.
218, C. Liberto (Argentina), 74, 71, 73; J. Morgan (GB), 69, 76, 73; G. Cullen (GB), 71, 74, 73.
219, C. Mason (GB), 76, 73, 70; J. Fourie (S Africa), 77, 73, 69; V. Baker (S Africa), 76, 72, 71; T. Britz (S Africa), 73, 74, 72; A. Charnley (GB), 71, 73, 75.

Other GB scores:
220, D. Jagger 75, 71, 74; M. King 74, 73, 73; P. Loxley 75, 73, 72; M. Bembridge 74, 73, 73.
222, P. Dawson 75, 76, 71; G. Brand 73, 74, 75.
224, N. Faldo 76, 73, 75; E. Polland 75, 74, 75; S. Lyle 69, 80, 75.

ELGIN: Northern Open: Final aggregates: 282: B. Barnes; 284: R. Jamieson; 289: H. Bannerman, W. Murray, I. Woosnam; 290: D. Huish, S. Martin; 291: J. Hamilton; 292: A. Thomson, J. McTear, W. Lockie, W. Milne, R. Drummond, E. Murray; 293: A. Cruickshank; 294: H. Stuart, J. Hume, R. Fyfe; 295: K. Stevly.

Fine putting puts Trevino in lead

New Orleans, April 27.—Lee Trevino had a birdie at the final hole for a round of 65 (seven under par), yesterday and led at the end of the first round of the $200,000 New Orleans open golf tournament at the 7,000-yard Lakewood Country Club.

Trevino, the 1974 winner here, had a one-stroke lead over Mark Hayes. Ray Floyd, Homero Blancas and Bob E. Smith were two behind at 67.

Gary Player, of South Africa, winner of the past three tournaments, had a round of 69 (three under par) with three birdies and did not drop a stroke. He played near faultless golf, missing just two greens. "I didn't putt as well today as I have the last few weeks", he said. "But that was to be expected. I'm quite satisfied. My trap shots were really good. I was in three bunkers, and the longest putt I had after them was three feet."

Trevino had eight birdies, dropped a stroke once, and said his success was mainly due to fine putting.

The big group at 68 (four under par) on the flat old course that is laced by lakes and streams and studded with moss-hung old oak and cypress trees, were the former New Orleans open champion Miller Barber and Andrew Bean, the runner-up to Player last week in the Houston open.

The PGA champion, Lanny Wadkins, was six strokes behind the leader at 71. Tom Watson, twice a winner this season and runner-up to Player at the Masters, lost three strokes on the first hole and finished with a 73. He was tied at that figure with the title-holder Jim Simons.

"I played pretty nicely today", Player said. He had made stirring last-round challenges to win the Masters, the tournament of champions and Houston in his last three starts. He came into this one needing a victory to become the first man since Jack Burke in 1952 to win four in a row. Byron Nelson, with 11 consecutive victories in 1945, is the only man to win more than four in a row.

"I'm satisfied", Player said of his effort. "I didn't make as many putts as I have been lately, but that's to be understood—that's what goes with winning three in a row."

"I missed only two greens anytime. I hit 16 greens, it isn't too bad" he said.

LEADING SCORES: 65: L. Trevino; 66: M. Hayes; 67: H. Blancas, R. E. Smith (Australia), R. Floyd; 68: B. Jaeckel, D. Pooley, P. Hancock, F. Molina, R. Sheerer (Australia), A. Bean, J. Mitchell, E. Dougherty, J. Kunes, M. Barber, G. Burns, P. McGowan, R. Curl. Others scores: 69: G. Player (SA); 73: R. Cole (SA); P. Oosterhuis (GB); 76: J. Lister (NZ).—Reuter.

North's dominance likely to be continued

Billy Miller, the longest serving manager in the Isthmian League, leads out his team at Wembley today confident they can beat Altrincham in the final of the FA Trophy and end the north's eight-year dominance of the competition.

Since the competition started in 1969 no southern club has been successful. But the meticulous Mr Miller, in his thirteenth season with the Surrey side, has allowed nothing to interfere with his club's preparations. He even signed the whole of the Banstead Athletic team to represent them in Thursday's Isthmian League match at Sutton.

Altrincham's goalkeeping problems have eased. Their first choice, Eales, damaged two fingers in training but an X-ray examination showed no break and after treatment by the Manchester City physiotherapist Freddie Griffiths, he is expected to play. Tommy Cavanagh, the son of Manchester United's assistant manager, stands by. Altrincham's other problem was also solved when their winger Morris, who has been suffering from disc trouble, also made a quick recovery after treatment by Mr Griffiths.

In contrast to Mr Miller, Altrincham's manager Tony Sanders has been to Wembley before. He coached the Skelmersdale side that reached the final of the Amateur Cup seven years ago and knocked out Leatherhead in the semi-final round. Rogers has teamed up with Johnson to form a formidable goalscoring partnership which has realized 58 goals this season. Leatherhead too, are sprinkled with class from their goalkeeper Swannell, who won 64 England amateur caps and two FA Amateur Cup medals, to Kelly, their talented striker and leading scorer.

Kelly returned to Leatherhead after a short unhappy spell as a Football League professional with Millwall. With another former amateur international, Baker, they form what is probably the most dangerous spearhead in the Isthmian League.

Leatherhead will look to Reid and Mally to blunt Altrincham's attack and hope that Kelly and Baker do the damage at the other end. However, on recent form it looks as if the trophy will be going north for the eighth time.

ALTRINCHAM: Eales or Cavanagh; Allen, Crossley, Bailey, Owens, King, Morris, Heathcote, Johnson, Rogers, Davison.
LEATHERHEAD: Swannell; Cooper, Eaton, Davies, Reid, Mally, Cook, Salkeld, Kelly, Baker, Doyle.
Referee: A. W. Grey (Great Yarmouth).

Welsh choice reflects good season

Wrexham's outstanding season is reflected by the choice of four of their players in the 16-strong Welsh party for the home international championships. Leighton James of Queen's Park Rangers and John Toshack, who has done such a fine job as Swansea's City's player-manager, are both excluded.

Glen Letheran, the former Leeds United defender, now with Chesterfield, is the only uncapped player in the party, though he has played at under-21 level.

D. Davies (Wrexham); G. Letheran (Chesterfield), M. Page (Birmingham City), J. Jones (Liverpool), D. Jones (Norwich City), L. Phillips (Aston Villa), G. Davies (Wrexham), J. Mahoney (Middlesbrough), B. Flynn (Leeds United), T. Yorath (Coventry City), C. Harris (Leeds United), M. Thomas (Wrexham), P. Dwyer (Cardiff City), N. Deacy (PSV Eindhoven), A. Curtis (Swansea City), L. Cartwright (Wrexham).

Rugby Union

Sevens rugby has speed *and* skill but less magic

By Gordon Allan

It may be my imagination, but exceptional exponents of the art of seven-a-side rugby, like Keith Fielding, Gerald Davies and Tremayne Rodd, have been in short supply in the Middlesex tournament in recent years. Technically and tactically, a certain sameness has crept in. The speed and skill have been there, but not, for want of a better word, the magic that makes 50,000 people Oooh and Ah, from noon until evening.

Perhaps this afternoon will be different. Richmond are defending the Russell Cargill Trophy they have won for three out of the last four years, and Twickenham, weather permitting, will be crowded to the rafters again—a crowd containing, I suspect, many who never go near a rugby ground at any other time.

Richmond, whose first match is against Blackheath, hope to field the team who won last year, except that in midfield Preston replaces another man who was ill, fast and hard to stop, Janion. This means that Shackleton, who has recovered from a leg injury suffered a fortnight ago, will be directing operations from half back and nobody is better than him at doing it. At the other end of the draw, Gosforth, who were runners-up to Richmond last year, play St Luke's College, Exeter.

The guest sides are Bath, and Hawick. Bath have been drawn against London Scottish, who are concerned about the fitness of Friell (centre) and Pickering (hooker). Both have hamstring problems and decide this morning whether they can play. If they cannot their replacements will be Gillespie and Michael Biggar.

Hawick, who reached the Twickenham final in 1963, when they lost to London Scottish, have a reputation second to none in Sevens. They play Old Reigatians, one of three junior teams to qualify. The others are Maidstone, who play Harlequins, and Hemel Hempstead, who play Rosslyn Park. Park have chosen two England players, Ripley and Scott, and would have chosen a third, Warfield, if he had been fit. Fisher takes Warfield's place in the centre.

Harlequins beat Richmond in the Esher final and will not lack for pace, with Wood on the wing, Cooke in the centre, and Lambert, usually a wing, at prop.

One of the most interesting games should be between London Welsh and London Irish. The Irish did well in the floodlit event at Roehampton, where they lost narrowly to Richmond in the final, and play two scrum halves, Murphy and Frost, at half back.

The probable teams include:

RICHMOND: A. Mort, N. Preston, R. Shackleton, T. O'Hanlon, N. Dobson, N. Vinter, C. Yeomans.
HARLEQUINS: G. Wood, D. Cooke, G. Gilbert, C. Lamden, C. Lambert, K. Douglas, A. Alexander.
ROSSLYN PARK: G. Lloyd, R. Fisher, N. Anderson, I. George, A. Ripley, B. Bazell, J. Scott.
LONDON SCOTTISH: R. Macnab, A. Friell, R. Wilson, A. Lawson, A. McHarg, D. Pickering, S. Pratt.
LONDON IRISH: R. McKibbin, P. Crotty, J. Frost, B. Murphy, T. Webster, W. Jones, K. Short.
DRAW: St Luke's College, Exeter v Gosforth (12.40); Wasps v Loughborough Students (1.0); Rosslyn Park v Hemel Hempstead (1.20); London Scottish v Bath (1.40); Old Reigatians v Hawick (2.0); Maidstone v Harlequins (2.20); London Welsh v London Irish (2.40); Richmond v Blackheath (3.0).

Form and injuries make holders the underdogs

By Peter Walker

In the Welsh Cup, sponsored by Schweppes, Newport will approach their second successive final today as holders but underdogs. This paradoxical situation arises from injury problems in key positions and their recent form which has been patchy to say the least in the past few weeks.

Swansea, on the other hand, are not only at full strength on one of the few occasions this season but they also seem to have arrived at the summit of the Welsh rugby season breathing easily and in good heart. Over the past three seasons their pack have steadily built up a formidable reputation and with four experienced internationals together with a Welsh B cap in the second row they have the edge in both talent and skill.

In particular Swansea can lay claim to having the best back row in the country outside the international sphere: Trevor Evans, the Englishman Keyworth and the rapidly-improving Moriarty at No 8. In style and approach he resembles the legendary Mervyn Davies from whom he has received regular coaching this season.

If the *Swansea* forwards seem to have more to offer than their opponents, the emphasis shifts to the cupholders behind the scrummage. Because of injuries to James and Rogers, a British Lion centre-three-quarter and wing, Gareth Evans has been selected at stand-off half. This versatile footballer has the pace and flair to surprise a few people this afternoon. Outside him, Burcher, another British Lion, has not had the best of luck since returning from New Zealand and besides losing his place in the Welsh XV has also missed a great deal of rugby through injury.

Newport have two strong-running wings, Bale and Davies, but they will be looking inward to the scrum half position for inspiration and motivation. Since moving from Cardiff, Brynmor Williams has emerged from the shadow of Gareth Edwards to stand as a formidable player in his own right. If his forwards gain sufficient possession, the greater experience of Williams compared with his Novillo opponent, Huw Davies, could be the deciding factor.

If the game depends on which side has the more accurate place-kicker, there's little to choose between the full-backs Webber of Newport and Blyth and if form points marginally in Swansea's favour, Newport can point to the fact that they have been in one final and won, whereas Swansea lost to Llanelli in 1976. The gate receipts of £80,000 is a world record for a club game.

John Spencer, a former England and British Lions centre, emerges from the obscurity of Upper Wharfdale in Yorkshire, to play in an Invitation XV against Richmond on Monday (3 pm) in a memorial match for Brian Strong.

Jeeps resigns

Dickie Jeeps, the new chairman of the Sports Council, has resigned as England's representative on the International Rugby Board and four home unions committee. He will be replaced by Albert Agar, a former chairman of selectors.

TV highlights

BBC 1
Football: Review (12.35).
Snooker: World professional championship (1.30, 2.5).
Show jumping: Hickstead meeting (2.35, 3.10, 4.30).
Racing: Ascot races at 2.0, 2.30, 3.5, 3.40.
Rugby League: Premiership Trophy (3.45).
Football: Match of the Day (10.0).

BBC 2
Rugby Union: Middlesex Sevens and Welsh Cup Final (8.45).
Snooker: World professional championship (11.20).

IBA
Football: Review (12.35).
High diving: Fort Lauderdale tournament (1.0).
Racing: Beverley races at 1.30, 2.0, 2.30, 3.0; Newcastle races at 1.45, 2.15, 2.45.
Wrestling: Croydon promotion (4.0).

BBC 1—tomorrow
Show jumping: Hickstead meeting (3.40).

BBC 2—tomorrow
Cricket: Lancashire v Kent (1.55).
Snooker: World professional championship (9.55).

IBA—tomorrow
Football: Big Match (2.15).

BBC 1—Monday
Racing: Haydock Park races at 1.45, 2.15, 2.55.
Motor sport: Texaco Rallysprint (1.50, 2.25, 3.0).
Weightlifting: Britain v China (2.25, 3.30).
Show jumping: Hickstead meeting (4.0).

IBA—Monday
Wrestling: Reading promotion (1.40).
Racing: Guineas preview (2.10); Doncaster races at 2.30, 3.0, 3.30, 4.0; Windsor races at 2.45, 3.15, 3.45.

Hockey

East rely on youth in absence of regulars

By Sydney Friskin

The two-day divisional hockey tournament starts today at Aldershot (10.30 am) with a match between East and West. Who said never the twain shall meet? This event, held for many years in December, used to be a talent spotting centure for the England selectors. More often than not it was ruined by rain, so that they went home wondering what they had really seen. It was once described as the most useless exercise since the Tower of Babel.

But times have changed; so has the format of this tournament from which, on December 12, 1976, South emerged as the first official winners, beating East 2—0 in the final at Aston University grounds, near Birmingham. The selectors were there and they should be at Aldershot today.

With only a nucleus of experience at his command, John French leads an East side full of hope. Several senior players were not available so the East selectors decided to fill the party with a number of under-21 players, inspired no doubt by their success in the junior tournament at Liverpool.

West, who are in pool one along with East and Midlands, have called on four players from the Somerset side—Wooton, Wills, Armstrong and Wall—who lost 3—2 to Lancashire in the county final early last month. Mallett and Ian Taylor (England goalkeeper) are among six Worcestershire players in the Midlands party.

South look the strongest side in pool two. Their party of 14 includes Gavin Featherstone who, because of injury, was unable to help England in Argentina. North, composed mainly of players from Lancashire, Yorkshire and Cheshire, should offer South their strongest challenge, but I think South should win. The remaining side in this pool are Combined Services, whose attack will be strengthened by the return of Duerden.

In the pleasant arboreal surroundings of the Dutch headquarters in Amstelveen, the women's game enters fresh woods and pastures new. A party of 16 representing Great Britain and Northern Ireland will play in a tournament abroad for the first time, against the Netherlands, West Germany and Belgium. The occasion is crucial for Britain, led by Anne Ellis, of Wales and coached by Winifred Heath. They have had little time to put the wealth of their talent available together.

The purpose of this exercise is the accumulation of results which will compare favourably with those of the other aspirants for the five places available in Moscow for the Olympic Games in 1980. Britain faces a tough task against the experienced Netherlands side today. They play West Germany tomorrow and Belgium on Monday.

GREAT BRITAIN (from): E. Borrowman, V. Brown, E. Paterson (all Scotland); A. Ellis (captain), R. Foston, M. Morgan, S. Morrow, M. Rainbow (Wales); P. Gibbon, L. Hurley, J. Jurischa, V. Robinson, M. Souave (England); J. Givan, V. McBride (Northern Ireland).

Tennis

British challenge weakens for finals

After a day of upsets in the this tournament, sponsored by Robinson's Barley Water at Norwich yesterday, the British challenge in the singles was reduced. Only Joanna Durie breaks an Australian monopoly of today's finals. The first setback to British hopes came with the defeat of Linda Mottram by Kym Ruddell who wore a sun hat that would have been unnecessary earlier in the week. The tall Australian played with power and assurance to take the first set and although Miss Mottram fought back well to level the score, Miss Mottram faltered in the final set as the Australian regained the upper hand with a dominating performance.

Today, Miss Ruddell faces the 18-year-old Miss Durie who confounded the national rankings by recovering from a 2—5 deficit in the first set to defeat Corrine Molesworth, the second seed.

MEN'S SINGLES: Semi-final round: G. Thoroughgood (Australia) beat A. Lloyd, 6—4, 6—1; D. Collings (Australia) beat M. Appleton, 6—3, 5—7, 6—3.
WOMEN'S SINGLES: Semi-final round: Miss K. Ruddell (Australia) beat Miss L. Mottram, 6—2, 2—6, 6—1; Miss J. Durie beat Miss C. Molesworth, 7—5, 6—4.

Yesterday's results

Third division
Tranmere R (1) 1 Moore 2,035 — Chesterfield (1) 1 Cammack

Fourth division
Stockport (0) 1 Massey (pen) 3,106 — Crewe A (1) 2 W. Davies, Thorpe (og)

SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION: Meadowbank 2, Cowdenbeath 3.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: AP Leamington 0, Bath 2; Weymouth 1, Maidstone 1. First division North: Merthyr Tydfil 1, Corby 1; Barry 0, Burton 1; Witney Town 4, Oswestry 0. South: Trowbridge 3, Tonbridge 1.
ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Farnborough Town 1, Rainham 0.
RUGBY UNION: Pontypridd 88, Penarth 6; Bridgend 23, Pontypool 14.

Monday fixtures

FIRST DIVISION
Liverpool v Manchester C (7.30)
THIRD DIVISION
Plymouth v Bradford City (3.0)
Walsall v Rotherham (7.30)
Wrexham v Peterborough (3.0)
FOURTH DIVISION
Rochdale v Aldershot (3.0)

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Grantham v Wealdstone; Gravesend v AP Leamington (7.30); Hastings v Minehead (3.0), Nuneaton v Yeovil, Worcester v Bath. First division—North: Bridgend v Oswestry, Bromsgrove v Barry, Merthyr Tydfil v Milton Keynes. South: Dorchester v Basingstoke, Romford v Folkestone/S (at Rainham, 3.0), Salisbury v Andover (3.0), Taunton v Aylesbury; Trowbridge v Bognor Regis, Waterlooville v Chelmsford.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE (7.30): Altrincham v Runcorn, Bangor City v Mossley, Scarborough v Boston Utd.

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Barking v Wycombe Wanderers, Carshalton Athletic v Walthamstow Avenue, Hayes v Croydon, Hendon v Dagenham, Hitchin Town v Southall & EB, Leatherhead v Staines Town, Slough v Tilbury, Sutton United v Tooting & Mitcham, Woking v Kingsham? Wood. First division: Chesham United v Hampton, Clapton v Wokingham, Corinthian-Casuals v St Albans City, Dulwich Hamlet v Hertford Town, Harlow Town v Oxford City, Harrow Borough v Maidenhead United, Hornchurch v Bromley, Horsham v Harwich & Parkeston, Walton & Hersham v Aveley.

Ice hockey

When world's best won a lost match

Prague, April 28.—Czechoslovakia, the world champions, fought back from 4—1 down to beat Finland 6—4 in their first round match of the world ice hockey championship here today.

After Pouzar, assisted by Hlinka, scored the first goal of the match for Czechoslovakia in the fifth minute, the Finns opened a whirlwind onslaught; when Porvari scored their fourth after 21 minutes the crowd of 14,000 had almost given up the match as lost.

It took Czechoslovakia 30 minutes before Hlinka took a pass from Richter in the defence zone and cruised in unhindered to score their second goal. In the last period Finland still led by one goal. Then Porvari and Peltonen gave away a penalty each for tripping and the Czechs went ahead.

Their coach, Jan Starsi, looked relieved afterwards. "I must thank the team for winning a lost match", he said.—Reuter.

For the record

Cycling
MADRID: Tour of Spain: Third stage: 1, F. van den Haute (Belgium), 5hr 27.52min; 2, J. Elorraga (Spain); 3, E. M. Heredia (Spain). Overall: 1, Van den Haute, 11hr 59.25min; 2, Pesarrdona (Spain) at 21secs; 3, Heredia, at 43sec; 4, Hiault (France), at 47sec.

Ice hockey
NEW YORK: National League: Play-off series: Quarter-final round: Toronto Maple Leafs 5, New York Islanders 2 (series tied at 3—3).

Tennis
LAS VEGAS: Alan King tournament: Singles, second round: H. Pfister beat J. Connors, 7—6, 3—6, 6—4; C. Barazzutti beat R. Lutz, 6—2, 4—6, 7—6; J. Newcombe beat J. McEnroe, 1—6, 6—2, 6—3; R. Tanner beat W. Fibak, 6—3, 4—6, 6—4; H. Solomon beat P. Dent, 6—7, 6—1, 6—2.
TULSA (Oklahoma): E. Dibbs beat J. Feaver, 6—7, 6—3, 6—2; P. Dupre beat O. Bengtson, 7—5, 6—4; B. Manson beat G. Mayer, 6—1, 6—1; S. Docherty beat G. Haldor, 7—6, 6—3.

Baseball
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Minnesota Twins 6, Oakland Athletics 1; Toronto Blue Jays 8, Kansas City Royals 7; Texas Rangers 3, Cleveland Indians 1; California Angels 5, Seattle Mariners 1.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Francisco Giants 5, Atlanta Braves 3.

Football
NEW YORK: N American League: Washington Diplomats 2, Tulsa Roughnecks 1.

Weekend fixtures

Kick-off 3.00 unless stated

First division
Arsenal v Middlesbrough
Aston Villa v Ipswich
Bristol City v Coventry
Everton v Chelsea
Leicester v Newcastle
Manchester C v Derby
Norwich v West Brom
Nottm F v Birmingham
QP Rangers v Leeds
West Ham v Liverpool
Wolverhampton v Man U

Scottish premier division
Clydebank v Ayr
Dundee U v Partick
Hibernian v Aberdeen
Rangers v Motherwell
St Mirren v Celtic

Athletics
Southern Counties championships (at Bedford). [illegible] v Woodford Green (at Woodford). [illegible]-distance track race (at Ewell). [illegible] League (at Folkestone). [illegible] WAAA championships (at Motspur Park).

Second division
Bolton v Fulham
Brighton v Blackpool
Burnley v Luton
C Palace v Blackburn
Hull v Bristol R
Mansfield v Orient
Millwall v Oldham
Sheffield U v Cardiff
Southampton v Tottenham
Stoke v Notts Co
Sunderland v Charlton

Scottish first division
Airdrie v Queen of South
Arbroath v Hearts
Dumbarton v Alloa
Hamilton v Stirling
Kilmarnock v East Fife
Morton v Dundee
St Johnstone v Montrose

Croquet
Hunstanton weekend.

Golf
Surrey club foursomes championship (at Burhill).
Herts club championship (at Old Ford Manor).

Third division
Bradford C v Walsall
Cambridge U v Exeter
Carlisle v Swindon
Chester v Peterborough
Colchester v Sheffield
Gillingham v Lincoln
Hereford v Wrexham
Oxford U v Bury
Plymouth v Port Vale
Preston v Shrewsbury
Rotherham v Portsmouth

Scottish second division
Brechin v Stenhousemuir
Clyde v Stranraer
Dunfermline v Raith
Falkirk v Albion
Forfar v E Stirling
Queen's Park v Berwick

Race Walking
Essex 20 miles championship (at Chelmsford).
English schools championships (at South Croydon).

Real Tennis
Amateur singles championship, semi-final round (at Queen's Club).

Fourth division
Aldershot v Hartlepool
Barnsley v Wimbledon
Darlington v Scunthorpe
Doncaster v Reading
Grimsby v Brentford
Huddersfield v Bournemouth
Newport v Southend (3.15)
Rochdale v Torquay
Swansea v Halifax
Watford v Southport
York v Northampton

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Burton v Worcester; Bedford v Yeovil; Cheltenham v Hastings; Dover v Atherstone; Gravesend v Wealdstone; Minehead v Grantham; Nuneaton v Dartford; Telford v Kettering. First Division, North: Bridgend v Cambridge City; Kings Lynn v Tamworth; Merthyr T v Banbury. First Division, South: Aylesbury v Folkestone/Shepway; Poole v Margate.
ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Alton Town v Chalfont St Peter; Billericay Town v Windsor and Eton; Burnham v Chertsey Town; Edgware v Redhill; Haringey Borough v Erith and Belvedere; Kingsbury Town v Marlow; Leyton-Wingate v Harefield United; Uxbridge v Grays Athletic.
ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Old Carthusians v Old Reptonians; Old Foresters v Old Bradfieldians.
FA TROPHY FINAL: Altrincham v Leatherhead (at Wembley).

Rowing
Putney regatta.
Alpha invitation regatta.

Rugby Union
Welsh Cup Final
Newport v Swansea (at Cardiff)

Club matches
Birkenhead Park v West Hartlepool
Bradford v Fylde
Clifton v Wilmslow
Ebbw Vale v Coventry
Glamorgan Wanderers v Newbridge
Gloucester v Exeter
Gosforth v Bristol
Leicester v Northern
Liverpool v Northampton
Manchester v Birmingham
Morley v Wakefield
New Brighton v Headingley
Nottingham v Abertillery
Nuneaton v Plymouth Albion
Orrell v Sheffield
Roundhay v Broughton Park
St Helens v Halifax
Waterloo v Rugby

Rugby League
PREMIERSHIP: First round: Widnes v Warrington.

Hockey
DIVISIONAL TOURNAMENT (at Aldershot): East v West (10.30 am); South v North (10.45); East v Midlands (1.0 pm); South v Combined Services (1.15); West v Midlands (3.30); North v Combined Services (3.45).

Lacrosse
NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Boardman and Eccles v Urmston; Cheadle v Old Waconians (at Brookfield).

Rugby fives
Amateur singles, doubles and veterans singles, doubles championships (at Alleyn's School, Dulwich and St Dunstan's College, Catford).

Tomorrow

Football
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Gainsborough v Great Harwood; Gateshead v Buxton.

Rugby League
PREMIERSHIP: First round: Bradford Northern v Leeds; Hull Kingston Rovers v Wigan (2.45; St Helens v Salford.

Hockey
DIVISIONAL TOURNAMENT (at Aldershot): Play-off for fifth place (10.30 am); Play-off for third place (12.0); Final (2.0).

Athletics
SCWAAA senior pentathlon championships (at Parliament Hill Fields).
Surrey WAAA championships (at Motspur Park).
National Young Athletics League (Thames, East, Midlands, West, Wales).

Croquet
Hunstanton weekend.

Golf
Surrey club foursomes championship (at Burhill).
St George's Grand Challenge Cup (at Royal St George's).
Lincolnshire v Norfolk (at Woodhall Spa).
Berks, Bucks and Oxon "A" v East Berks (at East Berks).
Hampshire v Dorset (at Stoneham).

Rugby fives
Amateur singles, doubles and veterans singles, doubles championships (at Alleyn's School, Dulwich and St Dunstan's College, Catford).

Cycling
London-Brattle-London amateur race (starts 9 am Farnborough, finishes 1 pm).



Cricket

A lot still to be heard from Edmonds and Emburey duet

By Richard Streeton

CAMBRIDGE: Cambridge University drew with Middlesex.

Edmonds and Emburey, with their contrasting spin, were working their way through the Cambridge batting with painstaking thoroughness yesterday when the match ended early through rain. A bleak and grey chilliness returned to Fenner's after morning sunshine, and nobody wept too much when the final 80 minutes were lost.

By then Cambridge, with the exception of Parker and more briefly, Hignell, had found scoring runs even more difficult than might have been predicted. There was not a great deal in the pitch for either Tdmonds or Emburey. Variations in flight and pace were mostly enough on this occasion.

Practice remained the chief aim of everyone throughout the day, and Middlesex added 59 when they batted on for the first hour. Barlow and Edmonds missed their chance, but Gould and Emburey made several fine strokes. By lunch, Fosh had been neatly picked up at second slip off Daniel and Selvey had dismissed Peck. Selvey returned to London during the interval for treatment to a jarred knee.

For Cambridge, much will depend this sumer on Hignell and Parker. They added 47 fairly comfortably together before Hignell played too soon at Edmonds. He was brilliantly caught righ-handed at slip near the ground by Radley after the ball had seemed to have passed him. The rest of the innings followed something of an attritional pattern though this should not detract from the merits of Parker's innings.

Parker holds his hands higher on the handle of the bat than most contemporary batsmen. He has always looked a fine player who, arguably, has not scored as heavily as might have been expected for either Cambridge or Sussex. He has a splendid drive off either foot and conveys the impression of being unruffled when beaten. One high pull to the mid-wicket area, which Barlow nearly reached after covering 30 yards, was the nearest Parker came to being out in an innings of two hours and a half.

It was in the corresponding match last June, the Emburey took 10 for 48, figures which launched him on the rest of his successful summer. From the start he had a silly mid off posted as well a stwo short legs, all at close range, and none of them ever looked in danger. Edmonds, too, was always accurate and Middlesex accepted all their chances.

Despite the cold, it was enjoyable watching the pair of them developing their craft. They form an alliterative duet which is going to be heard a great deal in the coming years. Crawford played inside a ball of full length; Greig ws drawn forward and held at short square leg; and Popplewell lost patience and was taken in the gully.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings
M. J. Smith, c Littlewood, b Popplewell .. 26
W. N. Slack, c Hignell, b Allbrook 52
*C. T. Radley, c Hignell, b Gardiner .. 53
M. W. Gatting, run out 61
G. D. Barlow, c Littlewood, b Greig .. 13
N. G. Featherstone, c Popplewell b Allbrook .. 0
P. H. Edmonds, b Howat .. 6
†I. J. Gould, not out 32
J. E. Emburey, not out .. 16
Extras (b 5, l-b 5, w 1, n-b 3) 14
Total (7 wkts dec) 275
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—81, 2—81, 3—201, 4—201, 5—206, 6—224, 7—226.
BOWLING: Howat, 15—4—32—1; Greig, 12—1—34—1; Popplewell, 18—6—53—1; Gardiner, 20—10—53—1; Allbrook, 27—4—77—2; Hignell, 7—2—30—0.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First Innings
M. K. Fosh, c Gatting, b Daniel 8
I. G. Peck, l-b-w, b Selvey .. 2
P. W. G. Parker, not out .. 59
*A. J. Hignell, c Radley, b Edmonds .. 32
N. C. Crawford, b Emburey .. 3
I. A. Greig, c Gatting, b Emburey 0
N. F. M. Popplewell, c Emburey, b Edmonds .. 7
S. J. Gardiner, not out .. 6
Extras (n-b 2) .. 3
Total (6 wkts) 118
†D. J. Littlewood, M. G. Howat and M. E. Allbrook did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—8, 2—23, 3—70, 4—77, 5—77, 6—98.
BOWLING: Daniel, 7—2—26—1; Selvey, 7—0—19—1; Emburey, 23—6—41—2; Edmonds, 22—9—30—2.
Umpires: R. Aspinall and A. G. T. Whitehead.

Greenidge drops out of W Indies side

Kingston, Jamaica, April 28.—Overnight rain left damp patches on and around the wicket, delaying the start of play in the fifth Test match between West Indies and Australia here today.

The opening bat Alvin Greenidge has been ruled out of the West Indies side because of influenza, and will be replaced by the young Guyanese batsman Faoud Bacchus, who has struggled to find his best form this season, scoring only 16 runs, including two ducks, in his four international innings so far.

The Australians will be without two of their fast bowlers, Clark and Callen, who have back trouble, Laughlin will open the bowling with Thomson.

The Australian captain, Simpson, won the toss and decided to bat first on a pitch expected to give some help to fast bowlers early on.

WEST INDIES: B. Williams, F. Bacchus, *D. L. Murray, L. Gomes, A. I. Kallicharran, M. Foster, S. Shivnarine, D. Parry, N. Phillip, V. Holder, R. Jumadeen.

AUSTRALIA: G. Wood, D. Ogilvie, P. Toohey, G. Yallop, C. Serjeant, *R. B. Simpson, †S. Rixon, B. Yardley, T. Laughlin, J. Thomson, J. Higgs.—Reuter.

LATER: Australia 36 for 1 (at lunch).

Richards earns three year sponsorship

Vivian Richards and Ian Botham the Somerset Test cricketers, are to be sponsored by West Country firms. Richards, a West Indian, is to get £1 for each run he scores for Somerset in the four county competitions for the next three years.

The sponsors are Urch Harris Ltd, a firm of Bristol stamp dealers. Richards has already appeared on two Antiguan stamps. His 85 in the Benson and Hedges Competition against Glamorgan last Monday is proving profitable. Besides the £85 from the sponsors he won the gold award worth £35 and a share of team awards of £220 for the victory and £325 for being team of the week. The final details of the sponsorship for Botham will be announced next week.

Second XI competition

BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Hampshire, abandoned.
CANTERBURY: Kent II, 19 for no wkt v Surrey II. Match abandoned.

Today's cricket

TOUR MTCH
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP (11.0, 55 overs)
LORAD'S: Middlesex v Northamptonshire.
THE OVAL: Surrey v Nottinghamshire.
EASTBOURNE: Sussex v Minor Counties East.
BIRMINGHAM: Warwickshire v Minor Counties West.
WORCESTER: Worcester v Glamorgan.
HARROGATE: Yorkshire v Essex.
OTHER MATCHES
CAMBRIDGE: Cambridge University v Gloucestershire (11.30 to 6.30).
OXFOD: Oxford University v Kent

Tomorrow
(11.0 to 6.30)
JOHN PLAYER LEAGUE (2.0, 40 overs)
DERBY: Derbyshire v Gloucestershire.
BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire v Somerset.
LEICESTERSHIRE: Leicestershire v Warwickshire.
LORD'S: Middlesex v Northamptonshire.
HOVE: Sussex v Nottinghamshire.
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Glamorgan.
BRADFORD: Yorkshire v Essex.

Spring and youth seem far away at the Parks

By Alan Gibson

OXFORD: Warwickshire scored 109 for one against Oxford University.

Never have I seen the Parks look bleaker, in the cricket season, than in the past few days. This was not just because of the cold and the wet—familiar enough at this time of year—but the bareness. The trees are late to foliate, and many of them are dying. Nobody was there, except those on duty, or walking their dogs. Spring and youth seemed a long way away.

However, there was some cricket in the morning. Warwickshire were put into bat, no doubt just to see what would happen, perhaps also with some vaguely ambitious notion of winning, since it was now a one-day match. Oxford bowled well, especially Ross, but the pitch was too slow to be dangerous. At lunch, Warwickshire had scored 109 for one. At 59, Smith had been smartly caught at second slip by L'Estrange. He, Abberley and Whitehouse all had some useful, if not particularly enjoyable practice.

It rained during the interval, and although they bravely came out again after half an hour, play lasted only seven more balls, and no further run was scored, before the rain came down again, conclusively.

Ross, who took the wicket, bowls right-arm medium pace, keeps a length, and can move the ball off the pitch, at least off this one. He is a New Zealander. L'Estrange and Marie are Australians. Kayun is a Guyanan, and Pathmanathan, on whom many Oxford hopes rested, is a Sri Lankan. "What! Five Colonials in the team?", I imagined I heard an old colonel say in front of the pavilion. "University cricket's never been the same since those Cambridge fellers gave Ranjitsinhji his Blue." Oxford have usually been at their strongest when they have had a substantial overseas representation. And the old colonel was only a ghost. It was a day for thinking of ghosts.

WARWICKSHIRE
R. N. Abberley, not out 51
K. D. Smith, c L'Estrange, b Ross 23
*J. Whitehouse, not out 25
Extras (b 4, l-b 6) 10
Total (1 wkt) 109
P. R. Oliver, †G. W. Humpage, T. A. Lloyd, E. E. Hemmings, D. C. Hopkins, D. J. Brown, R. G. D. Willis and S. P. Perryman did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—59.
BOWLING: Knight, 8—3—16—0; Wookey, 7.1—2—19—0; Marie, 11—2—34—0; Ross, 15—8—18—1; Brettell, 4—1—12—0.
OXFORD: *J. L. Claughton, G. Pathmanathan, M. L'Estrange, D. Kayum, R. Moulding, D. Brettell, S. M. Wookey, †P. B. Fisher, G. Marie, J. Ross and J. Knight.
Umpires: D. J. Halfyard and T. W. Spencer.

Young Norwich footballer stands by for Northants

Bob Carter, a 17-year-old fast bowler from Kings Lynn, may make his first appearance for Northamptonshire against Middlesex at Lord's in the Benson and Hedges Cup today. It is quick recognition for Carter, who was engaged only this month. He is also a useful batsman and a promising young footballer with Norwich City.

Either Carter or Richards, a Middlesbrough-born batsman, will replace Griffiths who had to drop out of the party yesterday after injuring his shoulder in practice.

Brearley, who has had tonsilitis this week, expects to be fit for Middlesex. Allan Jones, whose career was in doubt until a successful back operation during the winter, will make his first appearance of the summer either today or in tomorrow's John Player League game against the same opponents.

The umpires will not decide until this morning whether the Harrogate ground will be fit for the match between Yorkshire and Essex.

Yorkshire warn that with parts of the playing area waterlogged further rain will delay matters until Monday. The teams are due to meet at Bradford on Sunday in the John Player League.

The Surrey team for the opening fixture of the season at the Oval today, the Benson and Hedges Cup game against Nottinghamshire, will be that which was successful against Essex at Chelmsford last Saturday.

Kent rest two men

Kent are resting Asif Iqbal and John Shepherd from their side beginning a three-day game against Oxford University today. Both will play in the John Player League game against Lancashire at Old Trafford tomorrow. Grahame Clinton and Nicholas Kemp will face the university.

Kenneth Shuttleworth, a Leicestershire fast bowler, will miss the game against Pakistan, starting at Grace Road today. He will play for MCC against Cambridge University next week.

A clean pair of heels shown by Flying Tyke

Flying Tyke gave weight and a decisive beating to eight rivals in the South Cave Handicap at Beverley yesterday. It was the fifth win of the season for the local combination of Alf Smith and Brian Henry, three of their successes having been at Beverley. Smith's stables are less than a mile from the course. Prominently placed from the start the 2-1 favourite Flying Tyke went away from his rivals three furlongs out to score by four length from Our Foxbar.

Flying Tyke, owned by a Bradford builder Maurice Kitching, was bought by Smith for only 500 guineas as a yearling at the Newmarket Sales, and this season the Huntercombe colt has shown vast improvement on his two-year-old form. He is unbeaten in two starts in 1978.

Smith has entered Flying Tyke for two races at Chester next month, and he is also sending Reppin Castle, a winer over the Beverley track a fortnight ago, to the big "Roodye" meeting.

Furry Knox followed up his Warwick win by landing the Hessle Stakes in the style of a true stayer. Gavin Pritchard-Gordon will now look for a nice handicap on a good galloping track for Crancoise Gever's colt, whose victory followed the disappointing showing of the same stable's Bernejo in the Leconfield Handicap.

Clois du Roi, backed from 7-1 to 4-1, landed the gamble in this event by three quarters of a length from the topweight Space Special. Clois du Roi, whose two previous wins were in selling races, is likely to be seen out again at Haydock Park on Tuesday.

Snooker

Only slight lead for Reardon

Ray Reardon and Perrie Mans, of South Africa, were licked in another struggle for supremacy on the second day of the 49-frame world snooker championship final, sponsored by Embassy, at Sheffield yesterday.

By the end of the third period of play, Reardon had regained a slight supremacy with a lead of 12—11, seven more frames having been played. Reardon lost the first frame after a sense struggle, he just won the second on the black ball, lost the third but was clearly the master in the fourth and fifth and sixth frames. But Mans ran away with the seventh after taking an early lead

Reardon and Mans were tied, 8—8 at the end of the first day on Thursday.

THIRD PLACE: Eddie Charlton (Australia) beat Fred Davies (Stourport), 7—3. Frame scores (Charlton first): 85—26, 71—53, 100—22, 125—0, 30—89, 80—39, 46—73, 69—33, 23—70, 61—19.

FINAL: R. Reardon (Market Drayton) leads P. Mans (SA), 12—11. Frames scores (Reardon first): 74—19, 72—80, 58—17, 62—68, 106—8, 80—69, 112—14, 34—83, 53—96, 9—54, 71—34, 132—6, 15—85, 84—11, 31—84, 8—75. Third Period (Reardon first): 51—71, 68—56, 59—70, 78—29, 67—40, 87—26, 16—53.



Perrie ...

Racing

Time has come to take the whip to the jockey

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

As the champion jockey, Patrick Eddery, has decided not to appeal against the four-day suspension for careless riding imposed on him on Thursday by the stewards at Epsom—the ban runs from May 6 to May 9 inclusive—Peter Walwyn has had to find other jockeys to ride his two 2,000 Guineas runners, Camden Town and Formidable, at Newmarket next Saturday. Walwyn had Greville Starkey standing by to ride whichever one Eddery did not. Starkey has been rewarded with the ride on the second favourite, Camden Town, who is fully recovered from the slight setback which prevented him from running in the Craven Stakes.

Yesterday the ride on Formidable was offered to Joe Mercer, and promptly accepted. At one stage it looked much as though Formidable might not be fit to run in the Guineas because his training schedule was interrupted earlier this month when he pulled a muscle in his quarters. But after Formidable had worked up the Farringdon Road gallops at Lambourn yesterday morning, with the good five-year-old Malecite, who is due to run at St Cloud on Monday in the Prix du Muguet, Eddery told Walwyn that the colt had given him a better feeling than ever before up there on the Downs. Understandably encouraged, Walwyn announced that Formidable would take his place in classic field on May 6, and yesterday Hill's reintroduced him into their antepost list at 12 to 1.

Walwyn also told me yesterday that Starkey and Mercer will both get the feel of their mounts before Newmarket on the gallops next week. Once it was thought that the Irish 2,000 Guineas would be a suitable alternative for Formidable, but it transpires that he was never even entered for that race in the belief that the Newmarket classic woud be his objective all along. Horses have run in both the English and the Irish Guineas before when a fortnight separated them, but this year they are only a week apart.

While many will commiserate with Eddery over his misfortune because he got into trouble with the law for trying too hard to win, others will surely take this opportunity to implore the stewards and their secretaries to harry those jockeys who do not appear to put quite so much effort into their work on occasions. No one expects a horse to be whipped to the line, but they should be ridden out, otherwise the form book is not even worth the paper it is written on. Recently there have been instances of jockeys easing up long before the finish, and that can only make the handicapper's job a nightmare, besides confusing punters, owners and trainers all the more.

And so to today's racing at Ascot. If Thursday was a black day in Eddery's life, this afternoon could easily be the opposite. One does not have to be blessed with a particularly vivid form of imagination to envisage the champion jockey having a field day and winning perhaps as many as four races on Pamina (2.0), Buckskin (2.30), Blustery (3.05) and Leonardo da Vinci.

Daniel Wildenstein is due today to pay his first visit to an English racecourse this season, since he decided to have the bulk of his horses trained in this country. He may well be rewarded with the sight of two of his horses, Buckskin and Leonardo da Vinci, winning the Sagaro Stakes and the White Rose Stakes respectively. Buckskin is a mudlark, so he should be in his element at Ascot, where the ground is likely to be very soft. It was about this time of the year that he was invincible in France last season. First he won the Prix de Barbeville; then the Prix Jean Prat, and finally the Prix du Cadran, which is the French equivalent of our Gold Cup. In the Cadran, Buckskin beat Sagaro, but he was beaten by him subsequently at Ascot, so in many ways it would be appropriate if he were to win the first running of the race named after his old rival, who became the first horse to win the Ascot Gold Cup three times.

After Leonardo da Vinci had won the Wood Ditton Stakes at Newmarket 10 days ago, Eddery told Walwyn that he might easily turn out to be the best horse he had ridden. Eddery went on to recount a tale of woe which was subsequently confirmed by the camera patrol film. It showed all too clearly that they had got into all the trouble in the world after Leonardo da Vinci had stumbled badly after 50 yards and lost a lot of ground. Yet Leonardo da Vinci still won the race in a slightly faster time than Admiral's Launch had taken to win the Craven Stakes 24 hours earlier.

Yesterday Walwyn told me that, having taken the various times, weights and distances into account, he still thinks that Leonardo da Vinci should be able to give 7 lb and a beating to Philodantes, who finished fifth in the Craven Stakes, five lengths behind Admiral's Launch. As Philodantes is owned by the master of Timeform himself, Phil Bull, it will be interesting to see who is right on this occasion.

Brigata will obviously be a danger to another of Brigadier Gerard's daughters, Pamina, in the Aimers Coffee Stakes, provided she does on the course what she has shown herself capable of at home instead of running as deplorably as she did at Newmarket last week, when she finished last in the Nell Gwyn Stakes.

Having selected Blustery to win the Lincoln, and then seen him beaten by both Captain's Wings and Yamadori on ground that eventually favoured them both, but not him, I am tempted to give Blustery another chance in the Autobar Victoria Cup this afternoon, especially now that the conditions underfoot will suit him admirably.

Brother Kempinski brought his winnings to nearly £15,000 when cruising home by four lengths from Cutting Comment in the XYZ Handicap at Newcastle yesterday. It was Edward Hide's expert knowledge of the track that gained the victory. Knowing the course's drainage problem, he decided to race alone on the far side of the course, where he thought the better ground was.

Brother Kempinski might have finished his racing days in Europe on a winning note. His owner, Garrett Freyne, a Dublin veterinary surgeon, said: "We have had a great offer from America. We are seriously considering selling him to race in California. The offer came up just 10 days ago, and I expect to make a firm decision within four days."

Andrew Geraghty made the trip from Ireland to see Brother Kempinski score easily. He has trained winners in England and Scotland. Facetious was first out of the stalls, but with one furlong and a half to travel, Hide pushed Brother Kempinski into the lead and the three-year-old soon went clear.

Pinkerton's Man remains unbeaten after landing his second win by half a length from Touch Boy in the Gilsland Stakes.

STATE OF GOING (official): Warwick: Good. Market Rasen: Good to soft. Newcastle: Good. Ascot: Soft. Monday's meetings: Southwell: Good to firm. Fontwell Park: Good. Towcester: God to soft. Windsor: Soft. Wolverhampton: Good to soft. Doncaster: Good. Haydock Park: Flat and hurdles: Home straight: Good. Flat and hurdles: Back straight: Good to soft. Steeplechase course: Good.

Ascot programme

[Television (BBC) 2.0, 2.30, 3.05 and 3.40 races]

2.0 AIMERS COFFEE STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £4,071: 1m)
1 1 Pamina (Ld H. de Walden), P. Walwyn, 9-1 .. P. Eddery 5
2 0 Brigata (Mrs D. Butter), H. Cecil, 8-11 ...... J. Mercer 8
3 0- Calf of Man (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 8-11 .. E. Johnson 7
4 004-03 Cavurina (Capt M. Lemos), C. Brittain, 8-11 .... E. Hide 1
5 0330-32 Hutton Girl (Mrs B. Shack), P. Kelleway, 8-11 S. Salmon 6
7 0-0 Salamis (Sir M. Sobell), W. Hern, 8-11 ..... W. Carson 2
8 Sweep Up (Mrs E. Richards), C. Austin, 8-11 C. Williams 3
10 04- Wolveriana (Col Sir D. Clague), J. Winter, 8-11 B. Taylor 4
6-4 Brigata, 9-4 Pamina, 6-1 Hutton Girl, 8-1 Salamis, 10-1 Calf of Man, 12-1 Wolveriana, 20-1 others.

2.30 SAGARO STAKES (£7,388: 2m)
201 124033- Buckskin (D. Wildenstein), P. Walwyn, 6-9-5 .. P. Eddery 6
202 213131- Grey Baron (D) (P. Parnell), B. Hobbs, 5-9-5 .. G. Lewis 5
203 31411- John Cherry (C-D,B) (M. Ritzenberg), Thomson Jones, 7-9-5 L. Piggott 4
204 201220- Shangamuzo (C,D) (Mrs E. Charles), M. Stoute, 5-9-5 G. Starkey 2
207 2100- Million (Lady Beaverbrook), W. Hern, 4-9-0 .... W. Carson 1
208 44010-0 Remezzo (Capt M. Lemos), C. Brittain, 4-8-7 .... E. Hide 3
15-8 Buckskin, 5-2 Grey Baron, 7-2 John Cherry, 6-1 Shangamuzo, 12-1 Million, 20-1 Remezzo.

3.05 VICTORIA CUP HANDICAP (£9,396: 7f)
301 10002-0 Gwent (C-D,B) (A. Villar), B. Hobbs, 5-9-7 .... G. Lewis 12
302 3144-03 Mofida (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 4-9-5 ...... E. Johnson 16
303 101410- Motair (O. Pike), W. Wightman, 4-9-3 ...... M. L. Thomas 3
304 02100-0 Casino Boy (D) (Barcham Ltd "New Highfield Club"), G. Balding, 4-9-2 R. Weaver 2
305 010-421 Yamadori (C,D,B) (J. Kashiyama), R. Houghton, 6-9-2 L. Piggott 6
306 000-000 Nearly New (D) (W. Norton), B. Swift, 7-8-13 G. Ramshaw 8
307 031040- Private Line (D,B) (G. Greenwood), C. Brittain, 5-8-13 E. Hide 13
308 02030-2 Baudelaire (T. Sasse), D. Sasse, 4-8-11 .... F. Durr 9
310 11311-0 Mandalus (C,D) (J. M. Hill & Sons Ltd), M. Prescott, 4-8-8 G. Duffield 14
311 10033-0 Blustery (C) (R. Lorenz), M. Smyly, 6-8-7 .... P. Eddery 4
313 0240-32 My Therape (C. Webster), M. Stoute, 4-8-5 .... W. Carson 5
315 010-112 Captain's Wings (D) (M. House), R. Boss, 5-8-2 M. Wigham 5 1
316 13100-0 Kintore (D) (D. Buttery), J. W. Watts, 6-8-1 .... J. Lowe 10
317 300400- Scott Joplyn (Mrs J. Newton), N. Gaselee, 5-7-13 B. Rouse 15
318 121031- Greenhill God (D) (Sir C. Clore), M. Stoute, 4-7-12 P. Cook 11
319 40222-4 Baldon (C-D) (A. Penfold), S. Woodman, 5-7-11 D. McKay 7
3-1 Captain's Wing, 5-1 Yamadori, 6-1 Blustery, 7-1 Greenhill God, 8-1 Mofida, 10-1 My Therape, 12-1 Baudelaire, Mandalus, 14-1 Casino Boy, 20-1 others.

3.40 WHITE ROSE STAKES (Group 3: 3-y-o: £5,833: 1½m)
401 1 Leonardo da Vinci (D. Wildenstein), P. Walwyn, 9-7 .. P. Eddery 1
402 1 Nicholas Bill (W. Barnett), H. Candy, 9-7 .... P. Waldron 5
403 4-1 Latin Luck (Sir M. Sobell), W. Hern, 9-4 .... W. Carson 4
405 00-0303 Debsboy (B) (K. Cunningham-Brown), P. Arthur, 9-0 B. Rouse 3
407 0-0 Korovine (S. Sand), R. Boss, 9-0 .... L. Piggott 6
408 0 Philodantes (P. Bull), B. Hills, 9-0 ...... E. Johnson 7
409 00- Theocritus (A. Richards), C. Brittain, 9-0 .... E. Hide 2
7-4 Leonardo da Vinci, 9-4 Nicholas Bill, 6-1 Latin Luck, 8-1 Korovine, 10-1 Philodantes, 16-1 Theocritus, 20-1 Debsboy.

4.10 GARTER STAKES (2-y-o: £2,544: 5f)
502 11 Schweppshire Lad (D) (M. Madden), M. Stoute, 9-1 G. Starkey 3
505 Bank Law (J. Hentz), D. Hanley, 8-11 .... R. Curant 1
506 Beacon Boy (M. Myers), J. Sutcliffe, 8-11 .... B. Rouse 5
507 Harmony Inns (Harmony Inns Ltd), G. Hunter, 8-11 M. Roberts 4
508 Manston Marauder (Lt-Col G. Sherwell), R. Hannon, 8-11 F. Durr 2
511 3 Darlinga (N. Poole), E. Reavey, 8-12 .... G. Lewis 6
4-11 Schweppshire Lad, 8-1 Manston Marauder, 10-1 Darlinga, 12-1 Beacon Boy, 16-1 Harmony Inns, 20-1 Bank Law.

4.40 CHOBHAM APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,477: 1½m)
601 0030- Ribellaro (D) (Mrs C. Brittain), C. Brittain, 6-9-7 E. Bradbury 10 4
603 01120-1 Prominent (D) (J. Bethall), Bethall, 11-8-8 C. McLitarick 8 2
603 2241-02 Georgian Girl (D. Toomey), R. Smyth, 4-8-7 K. Pennington 6 3
604 110424- Burleigh (C,D) (Mal W. Hern), W. Hern, 6-8-7 P. Howard 1
605 04010-4 Iver (C-D) (G. Greenwood), R. Akehurst, 7-8-5 G. Spiller 8 8
607 0222-04 Pledge (Lady Sherbourne), H. Candy, 5-8-0 W. Newnes 10 7
608 0040-01 Grey Mountain (D) (B. McGonagle), P. Kelleway, 5-7-9 P. Marrin 10 9
609 01211-0 Fraash (D) (Mrs P. Lunness), B. Lunness, 5-7-8 C. Olivier 3 6
611 04212-0 Ornamental Night (D) (F. Dellafara), W. Holden, 5-7-7 C. Rodrigues 5
11-4 Georgian Girl, 7-2 Fraash, 4-1 Grey Mountain, 6-1 Pledge, 8-1 Prominent, 10-1 Burleigh, 12-1 Iver, 20-1 others.

Ascot selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
2.0 Pamina. 2.30 BUCKSKIN is specially recommended. 3.5 Blustery. 3.40 Leonardo Da Vinci. 4.10 Schweppesshire Lad. 4.40 Fraash.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Brigata. 2.30 John Cherry. 3.5 Captain's Wings. 4.10 Schweppshire Lad. 4.40 Grey Mountain.

Beverley selections

By Our Racing Staff
1.30 Broads Master. 2.0 VILLA MILL is specially recommended. 2.30 Bogey Man. 3.0 Amber Valley. 3.30 Clare's Maid. 4.0 Hell Bent. 4.30 Spanish Armada.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.30 Iglu. 2.0 Mr Pringle. 2.30 Sandlone. 3.30 Pit Stop. 4.0 Bedford Lodge. 4.30 Spanish Armada.

Beverley programme

[Television (IBA): 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races]

1.30 OUGHTRED AND HARRISON STAKES (2-y-o: £1,760: 5f)
1 01 Fraserfield Boy (D) (R. B. Crockatt Ltd), M. W. Easterby, 9-4 ...... C. Moss 3
2 321 Iglu (D) (Tjo Tek Tan), W. O'Gorman, 9-4 ...... — 7
3 212 Pomposity (D) (J. Hardy), Hardy, 9-4 .... P. Madden 11
5 Boaniah (W. C. Watts), Watts, 8-11 .... D. Nicholls 5 6
6 23 Broads Master (L. Kenrick), N. Callaghan, 8-11 .... — 2
7 Clewiston (H. Roberts), M. Camacho, 8-11 .... G. Sexton 8
8 01 Feethams Flyer (D) (A. Cooper), S. Nesbitt, 8-11 .. T. Ives 6
9 00 Intercraft Boy (Intercraft), W. Marshall, 8-11 J. Bleasdale 9
10 Native Jewel (R. Howe), S. Wainwright, 8-11 C. Eccleston 3
11 Roman Bay (B. Padgett), M. W. Easterby, 8-11 C. Dwyer 5
13 Thumps (W. Ingram), M. H. Easterby, 8-11 .. M. Birch 1
15 00 Trimpack Girl (J. Milburn), A. Smith, 8-8 .. B. Henry 12
5-2 Iglu, 11-4 Fraserfield Boy, 3-1 Pomposity, 13-2 Broads Master, 10-1 Feethams Flyer, 12-1 Intercraft Boy, 14-1 others.

2.0 HABBERSHAW BOOKMAKERS HANDICAP (£1,637: 1m)
201 101300- Badsworth Boy (C) (M. Gibson), S. Wainwright, 9-0 T. Walsh 7
202 400-004 King Pearl (Mrs L. Brotherton), M. W. Easterby, 8-8 C. Moss 1
203 0240-12 St Jills (B,D) (A. Shead), B. Hills, 8-8 .... P. D'Arcy 7 5
205 110-400 Ziggy (D) (Mrs G. Rees), R. Hollinshead, 8-5 .. T. Ives 4
206 343-311 Villa Mill (D) (C. B. Newton, jun, Ltd), T. Fairhurst, 8-5 C. Eccleston 2
207 0213-0 Hakima (Dr S. Anggi), B. Hanbury, 7-12 M. Rimmer 7 8
208 020230- Bertie Me Boy (H. Timm), M. H. Easterby, 7-5 L. Charnock 6
209 000400- Paroyale (R. Greenaway), J. Etherington, 7-4 L. C. Parkes 9
210 000-02 Mr Pringle (E. Lambton), P. Robinson, 7-3 .... R. Fox 3
9-4 Villa Mill, 7-2 Mr Pringle, 5-1 St Jills, 6-1 Ziggy, 8-1 King Pearl, 12-1 Hakima, 14-1 Bertie Me Boy, 16-1 others.

2.30 HUMBERSIDE DAY STAKES (3-y-o: £1,621: 1½m)
301 2000-40 Bogey Man (G. Greenwood), W. Marshall, 9-7 J. Bleasdale 2
302 431-01 Sandione (D) (Galaxy Tape), W. Holden, 9-7 .. L. Eldin 4
303 302-021 Madame Moss (Sir R. Tatton-Sykes), W. Elsey, 9-4 E. Raymond 1
304 2001-00 Renucci (Dr J. Domagk), W. Guest, 9-0 .... L. Cases 5
306 0-4 Question Mark (W. Barnett), H. Candy, 8-6 R. Curant 3
15-8 Question Mark, 9-4 Bogey Man, 4-1 Madame Moss, 13-2 Sandione, 10-1 Renucci.

3.0 CHARLES ELSEY HANDICAP (£2,334: 1½m)
401 120-111 Amber Valley (D) (R. Bradley), J. Hanson, 5-9-11 J. Bleasdale 6
403 420-121 Battlement (D) (D. Kerr), E. Collingwood, 6-9-2 P. Young 3 2
404 1040-03 Border River (D) (W. C. Watts), Watts, 5-9-1 D. Nicholls 3 1
405 0000-31 Beverley Boy (D) (Mrs A. Perratt), W. Gray, 6-9-0 E. Apter 4
406 0230-00 Flying Diplomat (S. Griffith), A. Smith, 7-8-6 .. B. Henry 3
2-1 Amber Valley, 9-4 Battlement, 4-1 Beverley Boy, 11-2 Border River, 12-1 Flying Diplomat.

3.30 HUMBER STAKES (2-y-o: £905: 5f)
502 - Dixie Moon (G. Weston), A. Smith, 8-11 .... B. Henry 2
503 Gaelic Dirk (J. Hepburn), S. Wainwright, 8-11 K. Booth 7 1
504 000 Pit Stop (B) (G. Blum), Blum, 8-11 ...... J. Lynch 8
505 4 Vic Oyston (Vic Fine Homes Ltd), J. Berry, 8-11 E. Apter 10
506 42 Clare's Maid (R. Howe), S. Wainwright, 8-8 .. T. Walsh 8
508 002 Milford Miss (D. Adams), J. Hardy, 8-8 .. P. Madden 3
509 34 My Nora (W. Brown), M. H. Easterby, 8-8 .. M. Birch 9
511 Sailing Sprig (R. Hague), D. Yeoman, 8-8 .... E. Eldin 6
513 Seventh Ember (P. Asquith), Asquith, 8-8 .... S. Perks 4
517 303 Musical Thief (G. Shaw), R. Hobson, 8-6 .. M. Hobson 5
3-1 Clare's Maid, 7-2 Milford Miss, 5-1 My Nora, 6-1 Musical Thief, 8-1 Vic Oyston, 10-1 Pit Stop, 12-1 Sailing Sprig, 14-1 others.

4.0 RADIO HUMBERSIDE HANDICAP (£1,077: 7f)
601 0034-00 Broon's Secret (W. Brown), M. H. Easterby, 4-9-7 M. Birch 11
602 1400-00 Bedford Lodge (D) (Mrs T. Foreman), N. Callaghan, 4-9-4 J. Lynch 8
603 133100- I Don't Mind (C) (Mrs H. Vernon), J. Berry, 4-9-2 E. Apter 1
605 0000-40 Tin Miner (J. Mulligan), F. Wiles, 4-8-6 .... D. Nicholls 5 3
608 0034-44 Tudor Set (D) (R. Spencer-Churchill), W. Holden, 4-7-12 L. C. Parkes 5
609 30040-0 Hunting Willy (Mrs G. Nielsen), W. Guest, 4-7-11 A. Bond 7
610 0314-03 Hell Bent (B. Wood), E. Weymes, 4-7-11 .. S. Webster 6
611 3400-00 Maningo (W. Perratt), W. Gray, 5-7-10 .. K. Powdrell 7 9
612 20-0000 Humble Court (A. Jarvis), W. Marshall, 3-7-7 C. Eccleston 10
614 000-000 Trimpack Belle (B) (J. Milburn), A. Smith, 3-7-7 B. Henry 4
615 0310-00 Hope Eternal (J. Sorley), W. H. Williams, 4-7-7 A. Mercer 7 2
11-4 Hell Bent, 7-2 Bedford Lodge, 4-1 Broon's Secret, 5-1 Tudor Set, 8-1 Humble Court, 10-1 Maningo, 12-1 I Don't Mind, 14-1 others.

4.30 CITY OF HULL HANDICAP (£1,242: 2m 3f)
1 00-0411 Spanish Armada (C) (Rbt Wheatley Ltd), W. Marshall, 4-9-10 ...... R. Marshall 4
2 12212-0 Migolitto (C) (D. Franks), M. Naughton, 6-9-1 J. Bleasdale 6
3 Continhugh (R. Whitaker), Whitaker, 7-9-2 .. B. Henry 1
5 20-2144 Autumn Glow (B) (J. Winter), T. Fairhurst, 5-8-11 N. Crowther 3 10
6 0 Carribeg Prince (S. Ryan), W. Elsey, 5-8-3 E. Raymond 1
7 0-0 Score (D. Hutchinson), G. Blum, 5-8-1 ...... J. Lynch 3
8 00212-4 Golden Apple (H. Price), P. Asquith, 4-7-13 D. Dalley 5 8
9 3000-22 Ribble Rouser (W. C. Watts), Watts, 5-7-13 D. Nicholls 5 5
10 000-000 Montreal Boy (B) (N. Chapman), J. Calvert, 7-7-12 L. Charnock 7
12 0210-02 Cavewoman (Lt-Col J. Scott), Hbt Jones, 4-7-7 C. Eccleston 3
5-2 Spanish Armada, 7-2 Golden Apple, 5-1 Cavewoman, 13-2 Ribble Rouser, 8-1 Migolitto, 10-1 Autumn Glow, 14-1 Carribeg Prince, 16-1 others.

Market Rasen

2.15 TRUSTHORPE HURDLE (£444: 2m)
p Daze, 5-11-7 .... Greaves
00 Ivan, 5-11-7 .. Mr Brisbourne 5
001 Never Flap, 4-11-7 .... Cargill 7
f00 Supreme Cat, 5-11-7 .. McCauley
4-00 The Rightstan, 5-11-7 .. Nolan
f4b Alice Clarke, 4-11-0 .... Barton
000 Golden Grove, 4-11-0 .. Kersey
000 Humble, 4-11-0 .... Clay
6-4 Never Flap, 7-4 Alice Clarke, 7-1 The Rightstan, 10-1 Golden Grove, 12-1 Humble, 14-1 Ivan, 25-1 others.

2.45 LINDSEY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,057: 2m 5f)
0o3 Mister Fantasy, 9-11-6 Mr Sloan
022 Arctic Challenge, 8-11-5 Mr Cruggs 5
p00 Golden Rapper, 12-11-0 Miss Brew 7
040 Fine Fellow, 9-10-5 Fairhurst 7
3-p0 Three Fred's, 11-10-0 .. Gray
4-6 Mister Fantasy, 2-1 Arctic Challenge, 9-2 Fine Fellow, 8-1 Golden Rapper, 16-1 Three Fred's.

3.15 SKEGNESS HURDLE (4-y-o: £826: 2m)
100 Four Fathoms, 11-7 S. O'Neill 5
110 Freight Forwarder, 11-7 .. Cox 7
133 Honegger, 11-7 ...... Dickinson
100 Leyburn Lady, 11-7 .... Rowe 5
100 Boardmans Special, 11-4 Hives 7
1 Royal Declaration, 11-4 Stephenson 9
200 Gold TV, 11-0 .... Clay
33 Noble Stag, 11-0 .... Cox 7
400 Pending, 11-0 .... —
5-2 Honegger, 3-1 Four Fathoms, 6-1 Freight Forwarder, 7-1 Royal Declaration, 10-1 Noble Stag, Boardmans Special, 16-1 Leyburn Lady, Gold TV, 20-1 Pending.

3.45 HOLLAND STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,526: 3m)
004 Gummers How, 10-11-8 Barton
f12 Trustful, 7-11-4 ...... Blacker
211 Lord Brae, 7-10-9 .. Mr Tate 5
0rp Silkstone, 10-10-9 .. Graham 5
000 Lucy Parker, 7-10-0 .... Casey
020 Bountiful Charles, 12-10-0 N. Tinkler
030 Yellow Stone, 8-10-0 .... Kelly
0f Catombe Key, 11-10-0 R. Gray
030 Front Bencher, 12-10-0 Carvill 7
0p0 Garryroe, 10-10-0 .... —
15-8 Trustful, 7-2 Lord Brae, 9-2 Gummers How, 13-2 Bountiful Charles, 8-1 Yellow Stone, 12-1 Front Bencher, 16-1 others.

4.15 HUMBERSIDE HURDLE (Novices: £784: 2½m)
100 *Pirate Jack, 6-12-6 .... —
200 Sergeant Bibot, 6-12-6 Mr Heath 7
132 Cavity Hunter, 6-12-3 Dickinson
p31 Yellow Fire, 6-12-3 .. Mr Sloan
f33 David Brian, 6-12-1 .. Blacker
310 Guilsway, 5-11-12 Mr Carden 7
011 Lasobany, 5-11-12 .. Keightley 7
030 Kipton, 6-11-10 .... Kelly
000 Wishful Miss, 7-11-10 M. O'Shea 5
000 Garbally Girl, 5-11-7 .... Casey
420 Ken Lake, 5-11-7 ...... Jenkins
u00 Papillon, 5-11-7 .... McNeill 7
000 Snow Ball, 5-11-7 ...... Casey
010 Skegby, 4-10-12 .... Brennan
323 Star Music, 4-10-12 .... Bruce 7
0 Bright Concord, 4-10-7 .. Briscoe
f0 Miss Pilgrim, 4-10-7 .. —
00 Pytchley Girl, 4-10-7 .. Gray
100-30 Cavity Hunter, 4-1 David Brian, 5-1 Yellow Fire, 8-1 Lasobany, Guilsway, 12-1 Sergeant Bibot, 14-1 Star Music, 16-1 Ken Lake, 20-1 others.

4.45 KESTEVEN STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £713: 2m)
023 Apple At Night, 6-11-12 .. James
fub Bar Knocker, 7-11-12 McCauley
0-0 Douida, 8-11-12 .. Mr Harris 7
00u Firetail, 7-11-12 ...... Barton
032- Magic Love, 6-11-12 .. —
5fb Ocean Voyage, 6-11-12 Dickinson
003 Pipe Cleaner, 7-11-12 A. Brown 5
00f Porto Rico, 6-11-12 .... Pearce
4f0 Roast Chestnut, 8-11-12 .. —
u3p Spring Stone, 9-11-12 .... Clay
f00 Whispering Grass, 7-11-12 Carvill 7
0-0f Daygo, 5-11-7 .. Mr O'Connor 7
430 Lerazma, 5-11-7 ...... Tinkler
230 Snowy M, 5-11-7 .... Suthern
13-8 Ocean Voyage, 3-1 Lerazma, 6-1 Apple at Night, 8-1 Snowy M, 9-1 Porto Rico, 12-1 Firetail, 14-1 Spring Stone, 20-1 others.
* Doubtful runner

MARKET RASEN SELECTIONS: 2.15 Alice Clarke. 2.45 Mister Fantasy. 3.15 Honegger. 3.45 Trustful. 4.15 Mellow Fire. 4.45 Lerazma.

WARWICK SELECTIONS: 2.0 Ravensbourne. 2.30 Clifton Fair. 3.0 Ten Up. 3.30 Listercombe. 4.0 Heidelberg. 4.30 Scot Lane 5.0 Fourth Son.

Warwick NH programme

2.0 LEAMINGTON HURDLE (Novices Handicap: Div I: £670: 2m)
010 Echo Summit, 6-12-0 C. Candy
Salado, 7-11-9 .... C. Price 5
210 Pardon, 4-11-8 .. James Guest
41 Ravensbourne, 5-11-1 M. Floyd
010 Springbow, 5-11-1 .. E. Waite 7
014 Simprim Lady, 7-10-10 C. J. Coogan
040 Sunhat, 4-10-10 .. J. Snaith 5
323 Blue Braes, 6-10-5 .. J. Burke
p32 Lola's Boy, 6-10-2 R. R. Evans
030 Heldorty, 4-10-2 .... J. Holt 7
003 Scots Laird, 4-10-1 .. A. Webber
030 Salute the Law, 7-10-0 R. Rowell
000 All Bonus, 5-10-0 E. Knowles 7
000 Southern Mobile, 5-10-0 G. Enright
03p Solonville, 7-10-0 .. R. Hyett
44p Dubello, 6-10-0 A. C. Hall 7
000 National Express, 6-10-0 P. Hobbs
0ff Grecian Alpha, 5-10-0 M. O'Halloran
040 Monas Express, 6-10-0 R. J. Owen 7
040 Llacca Prince, 6-10-0 .. —
30-0 Iseult, 6-10-0 Mr S. Hanmer 7
000 Frankly Yes, 5-10-0 .... —
000 Charley's Balm, 5-10-0 D. Sunderland
p00 Sarah Louise, 7-10-0 A. Webb 3
0f4 Ismoleen, 6-10-0 .. E. Brook 7
4-1 Pardon, 9-2 Simprim Lady, 5-1 Ravensbourne, 6-1 Blue Braes, 8-1 Echo Summit, 10-1 Lola's Boy, Salado, 12-1 Springbow, 14-1 Scots Laird, Sunhat, 20-1 others.

2.30 ALDERMINSTER CHASE (Handicap: £1,090: 2½m)
fbf Graigue House (D), 10-11-12 R. R. Evans
4p-f Tex, 12-11-6 .... —
000 Dulwich, 11-11-5 .. P. Warner
p00 Feud, 7-11-1 .. M. O'Halloran
11b Never Worry, 8-11-0 R. Atkins
020 Kent's Mill, 7-10-12 G. McCourt
300 Pizza (D), 7-10-9 D. Cartwright
340 Catsgore (D), 10-10-8 P. Richards
324 Clifton Fair, 9-10-6 .. M. Floyd
0p0 Criticism (C), 7-10-5 H. J. Evans
040 Ballinionig, 7-10-5 A. Webber
000 All Spirit, 9-10-5 .... R. Hyett
024 Tenecoon, 9-10-5 Dr D. Chesney
0 Forbidden Fruit, 8-10-5 R. A. Davies
00p County Clare, 9-10-5 .. —
p0f Omaj, 9-10-5 .. S. McNally 7
04p Mr Pippins, 8-10-5 R. F. Davies
300 Adam's Brake, 8-10-5 C. Smith
4-1 Clifton Fair, 5-1 Dulwich, 6-1 Kent's Mill, Graigue House, 8-1 Catsgore, 10-1 Tex, 12-1 Never Worry, Pizza, 14-1 Ballinionig, Tenecoon, 16-1 others.

3.0 CHAMPION CUP CHASE (£1,087: 3¼m 300yds)
p21 Mr Batnac, 8-12-7 Mr P. Greenall
212 Ten Up, 11-12-7 Mr R. Hodges 7
211 Clonmellon, 11-12-1 Miss L. King 7
120 Midday Welcome, 7-12-1 Mr S. Shilston 7
p00 Armoured Car, 11-12-0 Mr J. Cunningham 7
p00 Barouche, 9-12-0 Mr R. Waley-Cohen 7
Kildagin, 14-12-0 Miss S. Pilkington 7
2uf Precious Jem, 9-12-0 Mr M. Adams 7
Evens Ten Up, 7-2 Clonmellon, 5-1 Midday Welcome, 6-1 Mr Batnac, 12-1 Precious Jem, 16-1 others.

3.30 WASPERTON HILL HURDLE (Handicap: £928: 2m 5f)
223 Peterhof, 6-12-7 .. W. Smith
121 Straitjacket, 7-11-11 Mr A. Wates 3
434 Listercombe, 7-11-5 A. Webb 3
010 Centaur, 10-11-2 .... M. Floyd
010 Cold Justice, 5-11-1 R. Atkins
400 Gentle Prince, 6-10-6 B. Bock 7
103 Prescott, 7-10-6 .... R. Bailey
030 Pegalian, 5-10-5 .. A. Vogel 7
401 Portway Nick, 8-10-3 B. R. Davies
ff0 Warrenbayne Prince, 8-10-2 G. Enright
210 Santellis, 9-10-2 .... P. Leach
400 Cleo's Asp, 6-10-1 C. J. Coogan
f03 Rathdaniel (C), 8-10-0 J. Burke
000 Tonedale, 6-10-0 John Williams
pfp Black Tudor, 10-10-0 R. R. Evans
310 Jackstones, 7-10-0 N. Laverock 7
100 Couteau, 7-10-0 .. K. Whyte 5
f04 Summer Dance, 11-10-0 A. Turnell
002 Merry Kerry, 9-10-0 K. Hayward 7
205 Oropendola, 7-10-0 P. O'Brien 3
000 Palaestrina, 5-10-0 .. C. Candy
1-f0 Broken Siesta, 7-10-0 A. Webber
020 Grand Rise, 6-10-0 .. S. May
032 Hyelea, 6-10-0 .... C. Smith
400 Snifting, 7-10-0 .... R. Linley
003 Stalinmayre, 8-10-0 J. McLaughlin 7
2-00 Johnny Bingo, 7-10-0 R. Hyett
0p-0 Chameleon, 7-10-0 F. McKenna
0f4 Turasco, 6-10-0 .. M. Young 7
000 Carthos, 9-10-0 .. R. Rowell
5-1 Peterhof, 6-1 Listercombe, Straitjacket, 8-1 Gentle Prince, Rathdaniel, 10-1 Cold Justice, Merry Kerry, 12-1 Centaur, Santellis, Prescott, 16-1 others.

4.0 SPRING NOVICES' CHASE (Novices: Div I: £674: 2m)
pp0 Biggsie's Bird, 9-11 — K. Bosley 5
004 Boltown Covert, 9-11-7 Mr C. Crosthwaite 7
0u0 Cradenly, 9-11-7 .. R. R. Evans
f40 Daventry, 6-11-7 .. R. Rowell
220 Heidelberg, 9-11-7 B. R. Davies
Lady Vanessa, 9-11-7 J. Walsh 7
322- Native Wings, 7-11-7 J. Burke
00f Nut Brown Count, 7-11-7 A. Turnell
0p0 Polo Boy, 7-11-7 M. Charles 5
p3-4 Printers Imp, 6-11-7 G. McNally
000 Shockproof, 7-11-7 .. S. May
ufp Star of Israel, 6-11-7 P. Barry 5
p00 The Bishop, 9-11-7 John Williams
p-0 True Cornishman, 9-11-7 P. Leach
000- Alpha Elk, 5-11-0 .... —
20-0 Fire Plan, 5-11-0 .. M. Floyd
0b0 Leeann Lad, 5-11-0 .. —
6-4 Heidelberg, 3-1 Printers Imp, 4-1 Native Wings, 8-1 Boltown Covert, 10-1 Nut Brown Count, 14-1 True Cornishman, 16-1 others.

4.30 LEAMINGTON HURDLE (Novices Handicap: Div II: £671: 2m)
Last Story, 6-12-0 S. G. Davis 7
2- Tumbling Dice, 5-12-0 A. Anderson 7
014 Wool Merchant, 5-11-13 R. Linley
010 Kyriakos, 5-11-13 .. R. Rowell
Foxwell, 4-11-9 .... —
2u0 Golden Spice, 5-11-6 James Guest
020 Ribramble, 6-11-2 .. C. Candy
414 Merry Legs, 6-11-2 Mr E. Hanmer 7
010 Martinstown, 6-11-2 Mr M. Batters 7
102 Lloyd Ardua, 5-11-2 .. G. Jones
5i1 Legal Branch, 5-11-2 R. Champion
0p0 Somerset, 7-11-0 R. C. Bailey
001 Princely Rifle, 6-10-13 John Williams
uf1 Clog Dance, 6-10-13 S. C. Knight
040 Virgin Slave, 6-10-12 K. Mooney 3
010 Don Enrico, 6-10-11 Mr R. Taylor 7
323 Scot Lane, 5-10-11 .. C. Smith
020 Bridge Ash, 5-10-11 Mr J. Johnson 5
1f1 Banjo Bones, 5-10-10 R. R. Evans
0-20 Imperialist, 5-10-10 .. B. Smart
20p Valarion, 5-10-8 .. H. Atkins
000 Before Eight, 4-10-7 M. Charlworth 7
003 Price of Towy, 4-10-7 G. McCourt
012 Pokane, 4-10-6 .. I. Gobble 7
000 Pretty Cute, 7-10-6 K. Bosley 5
5-2 Legal Branch, 3-1 Lloyd Ardua, 5-1 Scot Lane, 7-1 Clog Dance, 8-1 Virgin Slave, 10-1 Kyriakos, Princely Rifle, 12-1 others.

5.0 SPRING CHASE (Novices: Div II: £673: 2m)
00u Bill's Brother, 9-11-7 R. J. Evans
p00 Captain Hardy, 9-11-7 Mr M. Mann 7
ffJ Current Chance, 7-11-7 Dr D. Chesney
2-uf Fourth Son, 7-11-7 P. O'Brien 3
p30 Lone General, 9-11-7 W. Smith
403 Night Messenger, 6-11-7 G. McCourt
Petit D'Or, 10-11-7 R. Wilding 5
000 Port Dancer, 8-11-7 Mr G. Edwards 7
000 Red Buck, 7-11-7 .... R. Hoare 5
0fp Sealing, 9-11-7 .... R. F. Davies
0-0p Space Boy, 9-11-7 .. S. Parkyn
f20 Tagliatelle, 8-11-7 P. Richards
f05 Trade Secret, 8-11-7 .. —
00p Zonta, 10-11-7 R. Champion
002 Bold Lord, 5-11-0 P. Leach
0f0 Regent Dancer, 5-11-0 .. —
13-8 Fourth Son, 3-1 Bold Lord, 5-1 Lone General, 8-1 Night Messenger, 9-1 Regent Dancer, 12-1 Tagliatelle, 14-1 others.

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[Television (IBA): 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 races]

1.45 HADRIAN HURDLE (Handicap: £1,368: 2m 120yds)
30f Any Second, 9-12-0 P. Mangan
201 Maletta Crescent, 5-11-9 J. O'Neill
000 Hellbeck, 5-10-13 .... R. Barry
30-0 Brawny Scot, 8-10-10 C. Tinkler
10-0 Girostar, 8-10-8 .... M. Barnes
112 Rigorous, 7-10-7 .. A. Dickman
002 Man Alive, 7-10-2 .. D. Goulding
032 Golden End, 7-10-1 S. Charlton 3
243 Pentagon, 7-10-0 .. D. Atkins
000 Bosphorous Queen, 7-10-0 B. Kettlewell 7
000- Spoofer, 5-10-0 .... —
2-1 Maletta Crescent, 7-2 Man Alive, 9-2 Golden End, 7-1 Any Second, 8-1 Rigorous, 12-1 Pentagon, 14-1 Hellbeck, 16-1 others.

2.15 LEGION STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,724: 3m)
341 Ebornezersdouble, 9-12-1 M. Lowry
101 Collingwood, 12-11-12 D. Atkins
04p Forest King, 9-11-9 .. R. Barry
00f Henry Hall, 9-11-3 .. J. O'Neill
410 Scorton Boy, 9-10-10 A. Dickman
f32 Royal Stuart, 7-10-10 Mr D. Gray 3
045 Clever Prince, 7-10-0 T. Stack
020 Mountholly, 7-10-0 D. Turnbull 8
304 Coparti, 8-10-0 .... M. Barnes
04o Luck, 8-10-0 ...... C. Tinkler
7-4 Ebornezersdouble, 7-2 Collingwood, 9-2 Forest King, 5-1 Royal Stuart, 8-1 Scorton Boy, Clever Prince, 12-1 others.

2.45 NATIONAL TYRE SERVICE HURDLE (Novices: £2,532: 2½m)
100 Netherton, 5-12-3 .. J. O'Neill
031 Kelso Chant, 6-12-0 .. D. Atkins
010 Happy Trio, 5-11-11 Mr P. Carr
321 Islander, 6-11-11 .. C. Tinkler
025 Laen, 5-11-11 .... A. Dickman
fu2 Blackcap, 8-11-7 .... —
102 Mixed Melody, 4-11-7 D. Goulding
201 Roi-des-Toits, 4-11-7 .. A. Flint
312 Saintly Sorrel, 4-11-4 R. Collins
024 Urser, 4-11-4 ...... T. Stack
3-1 Netherton, 7-2 Mixed Melody, 9-2 Urser, 6-1 Roi-des-Toits, Laen, 8-1 Saintly Sorrel, 10-1 others.

3.15 CENTURION STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £1,014: 2m 120yds)
2f4 Rathgorman, 6-11-12 C. Tinkler
102 Harvest Day, 7-11-7 D. Goulding
u-0 Even Cooler, 9-11-2 .. D. Atkins
040 Our Prince, 6-11-2 D. Turnbull 5
4p3- Stage Whisper, 11-11-2 M. Davison 7
440 Thuster, 7-11-2 ...... R. Lamb
u45 Tully Town, 7-11-2 J. O'Neill
2(4)l Weather All, 7-11-2 A. Dickman
030 Troop's Tale, 5-10-10 A. Taylor
Evens Rathgorman, 2-1 Harvest Day, 6-1 Tully Town, 8-1 Troop's Tale, 12-1 Weather All, 14-1 Our Prince, 16-1 others.

3.45 JOHN J. STRAKER STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,014: 2½m)
50-3 Chandigar, 14-12-0 Mr J. Mackie 5
000 Tetravona, 11-11-4 Mr T. Dun 8
pf3 Rookery Nook, 11-11-1 Mr H. Orde-Powlett 3
312 Supreme Sail, 7-11-1 Mr J. Walton
2f2 Lothian Brig, 13-11-0 Mr J. Alder
000 Forest Guard, 7-10-9 Mr R. Page 5
41u Royal Cacador, 6-10-8 .. —
223 Shirello, 9-10-7 Mr A. Mactaggart
3-fp Clavering's Cross, 13-10-5 Mr D. Kinsella 7
f10 Burgundy Bean, 7-10-3 Mr P. Walton 7
024 Granny's Gift, 7-10-3 Mr D. Gray 3
f00 Follow Me, 10-10-0 Miss M. Benson 7
3-1 Chandigar, 4-1 Supreme Sail, 5-1 Lothian Brig, 6-1 Royal Cacador, 7-1 Shirello, 8-1 Rookery Nook, 10-1 Forest Guard, 12-1 Granny's Gift, 16-1 others.

4.15 COHORT HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £725: 2m 120yd)
201 I'm A Driver, 7-12-3 T. Stack
010 Black Market, 5-11-13 A. Dickman
301 Tiger Feet, 6-11-12 .. —
Deep Tartan, 5-11-7 J. O'Neill
0u0 Helbert, 6-11-7 .... D. Atkins
003 Jester's Night, 5-11-7 R. Collins
p Manzil, 6-11-7 .. A. Bowker 3
f00 Moving Spirit, 6-11-7 S. Charlton 3
0-40 Pongee Boy, 5-11-7 Mr T. Dun 5
0-00 Russell, 6-11-7 .... —
300 Satan's Serenade, 6-11-7 C. Tinkler
004- Swiftly, 6-11-7 .. W. Redfern
Beggar's End, 4-11-2 D. Goulding
Another Denetop, 4-10-11 Mr F. Musgrave 7
0 Done Enough, 4-10-11 Mr J. Walton
0 200 Heather Hawk, 4-10-11 M. Lowry
Milk River, 4-10-11 .. T. Stack
Pinzuna, 4-10-11 .. D. Nolan
Political Pop, 4-10-11 R. Earnshaw 7
The Pukkar Bell, 4-10-11 R. Lamb
9-4 I'm A Driver, 7-2 Deep Tartan, 9-2 Black Market, 11-2 Tiger Feet, 8-1 Beggar's End, Jester's Night, 13-1 Political Pop, 16-1 others.

4.45 COHORT HURDLE (Div [illegible] 120yds)
001 Caxton Hall, 7-11-12 C. Brownless 5
105 Progression, 5-11-12 C. Hawkins
000 Hen Vrackle, 6-11-7 .. L. Lungo
00-0 Captain's Table, 6-11-7 Mr J. Walton
Cherry Larks, 5-11-7 R. Earnshaw 7
Dark Beauty, 7-11-7 W. Redfern
000 Greenland, 5-11-7 R. Lamb
f-0 Highland Drummer, 5-11-7 Mr J. Alder
000 Mcinnerby, 5-11-7 .. M. Barnes
Please Turn Over, 5-11-7 Collins
000 Proper Tower, 5-11-7 C. Tinkler
p00 Regal Tudor, 5-11-7 .. —
Running Bear II, 5-11-7 T. Stack
u00 Snow Hope, 6-11-2 A. Robinson 7
Syntax Lady, 5-11-2 A. Davison 7
0 Blue Elvis, 4-10-11 M. Barnes
Master Muinn, 4-10-11 J. Alton 7
000 Swopple, 4-10-11 B. Ashbridge 7
Vukrack, 4-10-11 .. D. Munro
7-4 Caxton Hall, 7-2 Progression, 9-2 Cherry Larks, 7-1 Dark Beauty, 8-1 Greenland, 10-1 Please Turn Over, 16-1 others.
* Doubtful runner.

NEWCASTLE SELECTIONS: 1.45 Maletta Crescent. 2.15 Forest King. 2.45 Netherton. 3.15 Harvest Day. 3.45 Shirello. 4.15 I'm A Driver. 4.45 Caxton Hall.

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SPORT

Racing

In the classic steps of Dancing Maid

From Desmond Stoneham
French Racing Correspondent
Paris, April 28

The Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (French 1,000 Guineas) to be run at Longchamp on Sunday, has an open look about it now that Françoise Boutin has finally decided to send Clear Picture for the 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket next Thursday, and after the withdrawal of Mother of Pearl due to a slight training setback.

The Head family is now to be represented by Dancing Maid and this filly should ave the class to win the French classic. Tayyara may be the runner-up in front of Gamina and, as an outsider, I have preference for Princess Lyphard.

Dancing Maid won the 9½-furlong Prix Vanteaux at Longchamp on April 16 from Reine Mere and Rilasa, and looked to have even more improvement in her. Sunday's race is over a mile, but Alec Head believes the shorter distance is not to the disadvantage of his filly.

Tayyara is a course and distance winner as she took the group three Prix de la Grotte just under three weeks ago. In that event, she was over three lengths ahead of Gamina, who finished third. Frühlingstag, the mount on Sunday of Lester Piggott, was fourth. Princess Lyphard was not too pressed when taking the Prix Astronomie at St Cloud on April 10.

Strictly on paper, Balmerino has the group one Prix Ganay at his mercy, but I am told from England that this magnificent New Zealand horse might need the race and find the 10 and a half-furlong distance a little too short. Bearing this in mind, my selection is Monseigneur to win from the Italian visitor, Sirlad, with Balmerino third.

Monseigneur was impressive this month in the Prix l'Harcourt, which he won by a head from Trillion with Carwhite two and a half lengths away third. Boutin considers that Monseigneur has made great progress since his three-year-old days, and the trainer will no doubt be hoping that the Longchamp surface dries a little before the Ganay.

An invasion of Italians is promised for Longchamp on Sunday to see their new champion Sirlad, who is talked about in the same breath as Ribot. Last season Sirlad won the Derby Italiano and Gran Primo di Milano, but was injured while exercising before the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes. Gaetano Benetti has brought the colt back to perfect health and this has been proved recently as Sirlad has dominated opponents in the Premio Mesero and Premio Angera.

Balmerino only found Alleged too good for him in last year's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. This much-travelled horse then went to Italy, only to be disqualified after winning the Gran Premio del Jockey Club at Milan. No doubt Balmerino was tired a few weeks later when he contested the Washington DC International at Laurel Park. In that event, he could only run a moderate fourth to Johnny D.

Faraway Times is a confident selection for the Prix du Muguet at St Cloud on Monday. Malecita and Whistlefield make the journey from England, but for second place I prefer Sanedtki even though she must give weight to the rest of the field.

Finally, there is news that Tony Murray has severed relationships with the Chantilly trainer, Charles Milbank. The Irish-born jockey is in the process of negotiating a new contract with another French trainer which should be concluded early next week.

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULICHES (3-y-o fillies: £33,333: 1m)

10420- Kamea (M. Boussac), R. Mesme, 9-2 .... Y. Saint-Martin
311-3 Furna (L. Catiani), G. Bellove, 9-2 .... A. Badel
31-4 Frühlingstag (A. Clore), A. Paus, 9-2 .... L. Piggott
021-2 A Thousand Stars (A. Clore), F. Boutin, 9-2 .... P. Paquet
2032-41 Tayyara (M. T. Dabachi), C. de Watrigant, 9-2 .... A. Gibert
22010-3 Gamina (T. Schovarrio), J. Cunnington, jun, 9-2 .... M. Philipperon
1241-6 Clear Picture (R. R. Firestone), F. Boutin, 9-2 ....
0002-35 Les Sylphides (D. A. Jackson), C. W. Bartholomew, 9-2 A. Lequeux
0222-11 Tempus Fugit (Sir E. Lütter), P. Lallie 9-2 .... J. P. Lefevre
10-0 Lady Jane Grey (Mrs G. R. Thierion), M. Clement, 9-2 .... J. Desaint
33-21 Princess Lyphard (T. Wada), F. Palmer, 9-2 .... J. C. Desaint
31100- Pink Valley (J. Wertheimer), A. Head, 9-2 ....
41-1 Dancing Maid (J. Wertheimer), A. Head, 9-2 .... F. Head

2-1 Dancing Maid, Pink Valley (coupled), 7-2 Tayyara, 9-2 A Thousand Stars, Frühlingstag (coupled), 6-1 Gamina, 8-1 Tempus Fugit, 10-1 Kamea, Princess Lyphard, 16-1 Furna, 33-1 others.

PRIX GANAY (Group I: £44,444: 1¼m)

1220-21 Sappagello (J. P. Binet), B. Secly, 5-9-2 .... J. L. Kessas
11000-0 Guadanini (J. Kaida), R. Carver, 4-9-2 .... M. Philipperon
302213- Cesasue (P. Pokmezi), N. Pelat, 4-9-2 .... G. Dubrœucq
1111-11 Sirlad (O. Pietra), G. Benetti, 4-9-2 .... A. Di Nardo
32010-1 Monseigneur (A. Smiljoson), F. Boutin, 4-9-2 .... P. Paquet
0121-6 Balmerino (R. K. Stuart), J. Dunlop, 6-9-2 .... W. Carson
02100-3 Carwhite (J. Wertheimer), A. Head, 4-9-2 .... F. Head
3110-34 Kamicia (Mrs H. Rabatel), J. Laumain, 4-8-13 .... A. Badel
21012-2 Trillion (E. L. Stephenson), M. Zilber, 4-8-13 .... L. Piggott

7-4 Monseigneur, 11-4 Sirlad, 5-1 Trillion, 8-1 Balmerino, 10-1 Carwhite, 16-1 Kamicia, 33-1 others.

PRIX DU MUGUET (Group III: £11,111: 1m)

1231-11 Sanedtki (S. Fradkoff), O. Douieb, 4-9-3 .... A. Lequeux
100-142 Millaliwilliers (Mrs C. Tomiul), M. Loscalle, 4-9-2 .... Y. Saint-Martin
00211-4 Malecita (D. Wildenstein), P. Walwyn, 5-8-11 ....
1100- Les Saintes Claires (Mrs C. Del Duca), L. Flavien, 4-8-8 M. Philipperon
3200-30 Harlebeest (N. B. Hunt), M. Zilber, 4-8-8 .... L. Piggott
00202-0 Edicius (M. Ceron), E. Wingrif, 5-8-7 .... R. Fernandez
200-001 Atheistan (L. M. Gelb), B. Secly, 6-8-7 .... J. L. Kessas
3122-11 Faraway Times (L. M. Golb), B. Secly, 4-8-7 .... E. Lellouche
00-11 Whistlefield (Mrs Y. Hermon-Hodge), H. Price, 5-8-7 .. B. Taylor
210000- Tourbillon (N. Pelat), Pelat, 4-8-7 .... J. Dunin
1144-20 Steel Band (G. Robinal), F. Boutin, 4-8-7 .... P. Paquet
2231-01 Gloriause (A. Smiljoson), J. Cunnington, jun, 5-8-7 .... J. C. Desaint
102-111 Fils Prodigue (Baron G. de Waldner), T. Palmar, 4-8-7 .. H. Samani
22044-3 Smoggy (J. Wertheimer), A. Head, 4-8-7 .... F. Head

7-4 Faraway Times, Atheistan (coupled), 7-2 Malecita, 11-2 Sanedtki, Smoggy, Whistlefield, 14-1 Steel Band, 16-1 Harlebeest, Millaliwilliers, 20-1 Les Saintes Claires, Fils Prodigue, 25-1 Gloriause, 50-1 others.

An equine disease difficult to combat

By Michael Phillips

Although the Code of Practice has been adhered to rigidly, and every precaution has been taken to combat Contagious Equine Metritis (CEM) in Newmarket this spring, I learnt yesterday that the disease had been diagnosed recently on the Plantation stud and that their young stallion, Dance in Time, had recently been suffering from the infection along with one mare currently boarding there, where the horse stands.

Happily, Dance in Time has responded to treatment and should resume recovering before long as soon as he has been declared clean after three swabs have been taken. In what is his first season at stud, Dance in Time has already got six mares tested in foal and several more are waiting to be tested.

On Wednesday it was feared that the National Stud stallion, Grundy, might also be infected again after a mare, that had been covered by him two days previously, gave rise to suspicions of being infected with CEM. Grundy was temporarily suspended from covering until bacteriological tests from both the mare and the stallion showed them not to be infected. Grundy has now resumed his normal duties.

Amber Valley can be first to win four handicaps off the reel

By Michael Seely

Jack Hanson, who has successfully combined his business interests as a haulage contractor in Wakefield with training racehorses at Wetherby, must have high hopes of landing a big race double in the north this weekend. At Beverley this afternoon, Hanson's four-year-old Amber Valley can become the first horse to win four handicaps off the reel this season by defying 9st 11lb in the Charles Elsey Memorial Trophy (3.0). At Haydock Park on Monday, this versatile Yorkshireman runs his Imperial Cup winner, Winter Melody, in the £25,000 Royal Doulton Handicap Hurdle.

In the prevailing soft ground, Amber Valley is a confident selection to overcome Battlement and Beverley Boy. But in the most valuable event of its kind in Britain, Winter Melody may not be up to coping with those brilliant hurdlers, Sea Pigeon and Monksfield.

The ease of Amber Valley's victory on this track at the beginning of the season had to be seen to be believed. He beat Autumn Glow by six lengths but the winning margin could have been doubled if this afternoon's jockey, James Bleasdale, had not been easing the gelding in the final furlong. At Doncaster's Lincoln meeting, Amber Valley showed great courage on unsuitable going when warding off a strong challenge from Celtic Pleasure. And Celtic Pleasure has since taken his second important handicap of the season by lifting the Sandown Cup.

Of Amber Valley's rivals, that prolific winner Battlement showed his customary burst of speed to beat Netherton and Revlow in an enthralling finish at Thirsk last Saturday. Judged on their running together at Edinburgh, however, Battlement has little chance of accounting for Amber Valley at these weights.

Two other horses will be out to increase their winning sequences on the Humberside track today. Villa Mill and Spanish Armada can both complete their third consecutive victories by taking the Habbershaw Humberside Bookmakers Stakes (2.0) and the City of Hull Stakes (4.30). Their respective trainers, Tommy Fairhurst and Bill Marshall, have been in sparkling form recently. Villa Mill gave a convincing exhibition of his well-being by sprinting home to a comfortable four lengths victory over Serigma at Thirsk. Lester Piggott showed all his inimitable skill and judgment when persuading Spanish Armada to win a competitive handicap at the Craven meeting. Both animals should continue to blaze their trail of success today.

Royal Doulton's courage in sponsoring such a valuable hurdle race at this stage of the season has certainly met with the reception it deserves. A more exciting line-up would be hard to imagine. At the four-day stage of acceptors the field included the champion, Monksfield, Sea Pigeon, Night Nurse, Beacon Light, Birds Nest, Winter Melody and Narribinni. The finish of this great race appears likely to be dominated by the top weights.

Of those at the foot of the handicap, the most interesting candidate is Alan Jarvis's Prousto, on whom last year's champion, Tommy Stack, will be seeking to give a repeat performance of his fabulous victory last weekend in the Whitbread Gold Cup on Strombolus. Prousto had useful form on the flat in France. The five-year-old has won three of his four races over hurdles. And although Gruffandgrim finished lame when second to Prousto at Ascot recently, there was a great deal to like about the manner in which the winner quickened clear of his rivals. Prousto could be the best each-way bet in this competitive affair.

The going may be the decisive factor on Monday. Beacon Light and Night Nurse have obvious chances but the finish should lie between the big two, Sea Pigeon and Monksfield. Unless the ground is heavy Sea Pigeon's finishing speed should prevail. In the Scottish Champion Hurdle, Pat Muldoon's seven-year-old had to avoid the falling body of Golden Cygnet at the final flight before coming home like a rocket to catch Night Nurse on the line. And only in the event of bottomless conditions underfoot would I expect to see Monksfield and Sea Pigeon's unbeaten run of successes in handicaps.

Acceptors for Monday's seven meetings

Doncaster

[Television (IBA): 2.30, 3.0, 3.30 and 4.0 races]

2.0 PELEID STAKES (3-y-o: £1,700: 7f)

Anick, R. Houghton 9-0
000- Blackwater River, P. Makin 9-0
0-40 Can't Help It, M. W. Easterby 9-0
0 Cantley Lad, E. Magner 9-0
30- Charles, J. Bethell 9-0
Cloak and Dagger, W. Hern 9-0
Fairbbe, B. Swift 9-0
First Parade, J. Dunlop 9-0
00-0 Flying Start, G. P-Gordon 9-0
0-02 Fortler Field, J. Hindley 9-0
Great Expectations, I. Balding 9-0
00-0 Grecco, G. Britain 9-0
404 Grey Fusilier, M. Bolton 9-0
000- Kinsky, B. Lunness 9-0
Le Silentiaire, R. Houghton 9-0
34 Levine, M. H. Easterby 9-0
00-4 Lur Bay, T. Gosling 9-0
430- Molyvos, Denys Smith 9-0
Northanger, J. Bethell 9-0
00-0 Selber's Lad, J. Etherington 9-0
00- Sharik, R. Sheather 9-0
022 Sharp Attitude, M. W. Easterby 9-0
023- Smartset, J. Winter 9-0
Sofronoff, J. Dunlop 9-0
00- Super Spud, R. Hunbury 9-0
40 Trygon, J. Nelson 9-0
40-0 Tudor Tenor, I. Molony 9-0
Tweedhill, N. Adam 9-0
0-44 Welsh Moon, M. Jarvis 9-0
33- Alexandra, C. Thornton 8-11
400- Lute Idea, T. Molony 8-11
0-0 Mrs Dumbounded, R. Hollinshead 8-11
0- Rose Bringer, J. W. Watts 8-11
Silken Swift, D. Weedon 8-11
Vestina, H. Cecil 8-11
00-5 Welsh Jane, G. Hunter 8-11

2.30 WISETON STAKES (2-y-o: £1,179: 5f)

1 Peter Who, T. Fairhurst 9-0
0 Pin Jim, A. Goodwill 8-11
Spanish General, G. P-Gordon 8-11
0 Top Stream, P. Asquith 8-8

3.0 YELLOW PAGES HANDICAP (£3,837: 5f)

Jameson, N. Adam 4-9-7
Geopolis, T. Molony 4-9-2
Last Sale, G. Hunter 4-8-10
Golden Libra, D. Kent 5-8-10
Goldhills Pride, I. Craig 4-8-10
0-00 Pan Ilma, A. Goodwill 5-8-3
00-0 Relative Ease, T. Fairhurst 7-8-0
1-00 Laudon, C. Britain 5-7-13
00-2 Brave Prince, B. Lunness 5-7-13
000 Paffia Set, W. Wightman 5-7-13
00-1 Hamdani, R. Boss 5-7-13
14-0 Sandfleet, P. Kelleway 5-7-10
00-0 Haberdasher, G. P-Hobbyn 6-7-7

3.30 SPRING HANDICAP (£3,071: 1¼m 50yd)

0-00 Fluellen, H. Wragg 5-10-0
No Cards, G. P-Gordon 4-9-13
1-20 Welsh Dancer, H. Cecil 4-9-9
20-0 Frankie, J. Hanson 5-9-5
Revlow, M. H. Easterby 4-9-2
121 Celtic Pleasure, J. Bethell 4-8-12
34-2 Town and Country, W. Hern 4-8-10
00-3 Claudio Nicolai, Denys Smith 5-8-10
1 Parent, E. Weymes 5-8-6
0-34 St Briavels, G. P-Gordon 4-8-4
0-00 Steel City, M. Camacho 4-8-1
000 Elland Road, R. Armstrong 4-8-0
The Hertford, B. Swift 7-8-0
4-30 Petronisi, C. Britain 4-7-12
0 Overlook, H. Wragg 4-7-12
Senator Sam, J. W. Watts 5-7-7

4.0 TRAINERS TROPHY HANDICAP (Round 2: 3-y-o: £1,425: 1m)

Fanshaw, G. Harwood 9-0
21-2 Silver Lord, C. Britain 8-12
310- Speedometer, M. H. Easterby 8-12
10-0 Water Ballet, R. Houghton 8-9
010- Elated, Thomson Jones 8-8
Harry, H. Collingridge 8-8
1-00 Grainard, P. Kelleway 8-7
1 Nonchalant, J. Hindley 8-7
0-30 True Justice, W. Hastings-Bass 8-6
241- Honey Bridge, H. Cecil 8-5
Lorna, N. Callaghan 8-4
Tudor Lad, D. Weedon 8-3
1-10 W. G. Greys, R. Hollinshead 8-1
04-0 Fairbbe, B. Swift 8-1
40-0 Tombler, G. Peter-Hobbyn 8-0
Grace Well, G. Blum 7-13
01-0 Nice Touch, R. Hollinshead 7-13
000- Pressadoccio, P. Makin 7-9
230- Bertie Me Boy, M. H. Easterby 7-8
70-0 United Effort, B. Lunness 7-7
121 Somers Heir, W. Wightman 7-7
031 Mr Pringle, P. Robinson 7-11
000- Ayal Hattab, R. Armstrong 7-3
004 Mi's Liqueur, P. Arthur 7-0

4.30 NIPPERS APPRENTICE STAKES (£915: 1¼m)

Autoway, W. Stephenson 5-9-7
0-04 Ballyhenie, W. Wharton 4-9-7
424- Burleigh, W. Hern 6-9-7
203- Decamanda, G. Hunter 4-9-7
0-03 High Steward, F. Dever 5-9-7
0-03 Hot Shot, W. C. Watts 7-9-7
203 Jackalls, P. Robinson 4-9-7
22-4 Patco, P. Walwyn 4-9-7
32-2 Privy Consort, J. W. Watts 4-9-7
300- Ribellaro, C. Britain 6-9-7
00-3 Royal Conductor, J. Mulhall 6-9-7
14-1 Crack of Light, H. Cecil 4-9-4
311 River Maiwa, M. Haynes 5-9-4
40-0 Voucher Book, C. Thornton 5-9-4
Crows Nest, D. Plant 7-9-3
40-0 Seamark, A. Goodwill 4-9-3
1-0 Sweet Shop, J. Haine 4-9-0
Bustina, R. Robinson 4-9-3
00-0 Flowering, P. Arthur 4-8-10

Lorenzal, J. Hardy 8-11
03 Nippy Lad, J. Skilling 8-11
000 Quite Frankly, R. Murphy 8-11
0 Bemor Mink, J. Edmunds 8-8
000 Coralson, W. Wharton 8-8
00 Desert Nun, C. Miller 8-8
0 Elasrof, N. Callaghan 8-8
32 Mary's Bazaar, R. Hannon 8-8
0 Meadows Gift, M. Salaman 8-8

3.15 MIDLAND SPRING HANDICAP (£1,232: 1m 1f)

00-3 Fear Naught, J. Etherington 4-9-7
104- May Song, A. Dickinson 4-9-3
110- Fine Blue, P. Makin 5-9-2
0 Senator Sam, J. W. Watts 5-9-1
43-1 Wanlockhead, D. Sasse 7-9-1
0-03 Mr Music Man, E. Reavey 4-8-13
3-00 Gentleman At Arms, N. Callaghan 4-8-12
0-00 Abyssinia, G. Harwood 4-8-11
0-10 Mount Pelle, P. Arthur 4-8-9
1-02 Sovereign's Escort, A. Ingham 4-8-8
000 Hors Royale, S. Matthews 4-8-4
2-20 Gold Streak, P. Arthur 6-8-2
03-0 Le Pretendant, C. Dingwall 4-8-2
103 Leonard's Pock, J. Dunlop 4-8-0
0-00 Topmast, M. Tate 5-7-13
000- Jack Somers, C. Miller 4-7-12
0-00 Aronta, P. Kelleway 4-7-11
41-0 Bermondo, C. Benstead 7-7-10
41-0 United, M. Haynes 5-7-9
310- Ascot Royale, R. Hollinshead 7-7-9
0-01 Touch of Spring, P. Kelleway 5-7-9
01-1 Tallon, J. Stevens 5-7-8
22-0 Joss-Stick, J. Cann 4-7-7
22-0 American Beauty, D. Sasse 4-7-7
301- Tiran, Mrs N. Birch 5-7-7
331- Sunlight, B. Cambidge 5-7-7

3.45 WATLING STREET STAKES (Maiden 3-y-o: £676: 1m 1f)

Roxberger Penin, M. Ryan 9-0
Iole, B. Hanbury 9-0
Morsson, G. Hunter 9-0
Pathfinder, P. Walwyn 9-0
Pragmatic, R. Houghton 9-0
Spartakus, P. Cole 9-0
Able Wren, N. Vigors 8-11
Antiana, P. Walwyn 8-11
Assio, S. Holland 8-11
Barnbougle, J. Dunlop 8-11
China Wedding, M. Haynes 8-11
Citrus Fruit, B. Hills 8-11
Fleet, P. Makin 8-11
Great Optimist, G. P-Gordon 8-11
Killer Shark, G. P-Gordon 8-11
Media Noche, B. Hanbury 8-11
Mr Fastbar, J. Etherington 8-11
Mulco, W. Hastings-Bass 8-11
Pollon, W. Wharton 8-11
Pure Green, J. Dunlop 8-11
Rose Charm, N. Adam 8-11
Such Bliss, J. Hindley 8-11
Well Connected, R. Murphy 8-11

4.15 MAYDAY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £911: 5f)

413 Brianston Zipper, J. Hardy 9-7
3-01 High Voltage, N. Adam 9-6
314 Pitmarie, I. Balding 9-5
241 Jack Fox, W. Wharton 9-3
10-0 Free Course, R. Houghton 8-10
3-01 Night Owl, A. Pitt 8-10
030- Marie, V. Mitchell 8-4
000- Nous, J. Sutcliffe 8-3
0-00 Lucky Lor, W. Guest 7-12
00-0 Marcher Lord, M. Salaman 7-12
00-0 Red Sonaw, J. Peacock 7-12
000 Test Piece, M. Tate 7-9
004 Black Mark, T. Hardy 7-7
03-0 Miss Meg, V. Cross 7-5

4.45 RUGELEY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £890: 1¼m 50yds)

52-0 Princesse Du Seine, R. Houghton 9-5
0-03 Linstee, D. Keith 8-13
000- August Moon, P. Walwyn 8-4
000- Man of France, J. Dunlop 8-4
0-13 Sultra Special, S. Holland 8-4
00-0 Nett Rate, P. Arthur 8-2
0-04 Follwell, D. Sasse 8-2
200- The Wrekin Joy, R. Murphy 8-2
00-4 Tudor Warrior, R. Akehurst 7-13
0-30 Dyk-a-Tak, C. Benstead 7-13
403- Belle Berners, N. Adam 7-11
0-03 Brecknock Toll, C. Benstead 7-11
200- Kintbury, Mrs N. Birch 7-9
14-0 Vestal King, J. Hardy 7-4
03-0 Going For Gold, J. Sutcliffe 7-4
40-0 Orange Hayes, R. Hollinshead 7-3

Haydock Park

[Television (BBC 1): 1.45, 2.15 and 2.55 races]

1.45 CROWN DERBY STAKES (2-y-o: £1,830: 5f)

0 Beldale Sweetness, M. Jarvis 9-0
Cottam Rocket, M. W. Easterby 9-0
Dibbinsdale Lad, C. Crossley 9-0
Perryman, G. P-Hobbyn 9-0
0 Frankness, G. Richards 9-0
4 Glen Carron, M. W. Easterby 9-0
Gofast Go, P. Rohan 9-0
032 Kassamoto, W. Marshall 9-0
King Rama, Doug Smith 9-0
3 Mr Juicy, T. Fairhurst 9-0
00 O. I. Oyston, J. Berry 9-0
22 Prince Kelly, R. Hollinshead 9-0
2 Rahal, P. Rohan 9-0
40 Singing Tom, M. H. Easterby 9-0
2 Sir Chris, A. Jarvis 9-0
042 Whisky Go Go, R. Griffiths 9-0
Shy Talk, N. Adam 8-11
0 Top Stream, P. Asquith 8-11

2.15 MINTON CHASE (Novices Handicap: £2,548: 2½m)

111 King Wessel, M. H. Easterby 6-12-7
110 Ballet Lord, N. Crump 7-12-0
018 Gatherine Storm, J. Gifford 7-11-11
1n1 The Alickadoo, M. H. Easterby 8-11-4
231 Fishermans Cot, Mrs E. Kennard 7-11-2
230 Mark Henry, W. Elsey 7-11-0
124 Cabar Feidh, P. Calver 6-10-13
331 Prince Maythorn, D. Nicholson 8-10-6
n21 Trio J, D. Gandolfo 7-10-0
110 Sionnaigh Bealtine VI, G. Fairbairn 7-10-4
13u French Pin, G. Richards 7-10-3
f20 Prince of Normandy, H. Gitting 6-10-0
152 New Colonist, G. Vergette 5-10-0
47u Royal Cacador, W. A. Stephenson 6-10-0
020 Golden Days, D. McCain 7-10-0
p40 Even Town, S. Thornley 8-10-0

2.55 ROYAL DOULTON HURDLE (Handicap: £20,085: 2m)

311 Monksfield, D. McDonogh 6-12-0
121 Sea Pigeon, M. H. Easterby 8-12-0
322 Night Nurse, M. H. Easterby 7-11-4
120 Birds Nest, R. Turnell 8-11-8
423 Beacon Light, R. Turnell 7-11-6
000 Levaramoss, M. Bolton 5-10-11
014 Winter Melody, J. Hanson 7-10-9
2r0 Drumgora, M. Cunningham 6-10-5
1t2 Narribinni, D. Kent 6-10-5
000 Paddy Bouler, P. Rooney 5-10-0
000 Gambling Prince, J. Jones 5-10-0
122 Lovely Bio, C. Magnier 5-10-0

Wolverhampton

2.15 LICHFIELD STAKES (Maiden 2-y-o fillies: £738: 5f)

Alice Blue Gown, J. Hardy 8-11
A.M. Lover, P. Cole 8-11
Banbury Made, C. Austin 8-11
0 Dress Song, J. Hardy 8-11
0 Early Days, P. Rimell 8-11
2 Frimley's Alana, P. Arthur 8-11
2 Frith's Fancy, R. Hobson 8-11
Gipsolina, J. Bradley 8-11
0 Hi-Gemini, E. Reavey 8-11
Jokers All, J. Haine 8-11
4 Khadija, B. Hills 8-11
Lady Chrystal, R. Hollinshead 8-11
Lisa Laser, P. Kelleway 8-11
Meg Potter, W. Wharton 8-11
Mi Favorita, D. Sasse 8-11
Nicholas Grey, B. Hills 8-11
30 Palace Art, F. Collingwood 8-11
Pomander, W. Hastings-Bass 8-11
Pecon Clipper, P. Arthur 8-11
Singing Angel, S. Holland 8-11
St Clare Tourist, W. Wharton 8-11
Stonhouette, R. Murphy 8-11
Tilley Oak, H. Collingridge 8-11

2.45 DUNSTALL STAKES (2-y-o: £433: 5f)

Brachen Lad, J. Bradley 8-11
Hilleau, J. Hardy 8-11
Lionnamer, Mrs B. Lomax 8-11

011 Prousto, A. Jarvis 8-10-0
00p True Lad, W. Swainson 8-10-0
00 Monte Coco, E. Owen jun 9-10-0
00f Flying Diplomat, A. Smith 7-10-0
001 Multiple, C. Kinane 8-10-0
021 Royal Gaye, F. Rimell 8-10-0
225 Busthall, F. Walwyn 6-10-0
430 Bootlaces, D. Barons 4-10-0
11f El Barone, P. Cundell 6-10-0
244 Grave China, M. Pipe 4-10-0
201 Miss Quay, M. Tate 4-10-0

3.30 STOKE CHASE (Handicap: £1,752: 3m)

1-04 Even Dawn, B. Lunness 11-12-2
111 King Or Country, D. Barons 7-11-9
410 Cancello, N. Crump 9-11-6
41-2 General Moselle, M. Camacho 9-11-4
012 Dublin Express, P. Bailey 7-11-1
241 Ebornezersdouble, E. Carter 9-11-0
fbf Graigue House, Miss S. Morris 10-10-11
004 Cummers Row, D. Gandolfo 10-10-5
412 Rubstic, S. Leadbetter 9-10-4
1b1 The Alickadoo, M. H. Easterby 8-10-3
00f Henry Hall, M. H. Easterby 9-10-1
014 Orillo, G. Balding 9-10-0
44f Double Negative, F. Rimell 8-10-0
004 Bar Rock, J. Hanson 10-10-0
033 Cumbria, W. A. Stephenson 8-10-0
20b Bondlly Boy, D. Nicholson 13-10-0
311 Wagner, W. A. Stephenson 8-10-0
n41 Trio J, D. Gandolfo 7-10-0
100 Free Motion, D. Nicholson 7-10-0

4.0 STOURBRIDGE STAKES (3-y-o: £1,371: 6f)

400- Hill Venture, R. E. Peacock 9-0
033 Retza, R. Mason 9-0
40-0 Silver Stud, M. H. Easterby 9-0
00-0 Ski Run, P. Wigham 9-0
04-0 Slitherum, R. Hannon 9-0
00-0 Songemon, C. Crossley 9-0
002 Swing God, M. W. Easterby 9-0
040 Tellywon, W. Marshall 9-0
000- I'm Friendly, C. Crossley 8-11
00-0 Joan Marjorie, R. C. Ward 8-11
00-0 Maid of Cavendish, S. Norton 8-11
40-4 Miss Pudge, W. Francis 8-11
0-0 Novorossiysk, N. Adam 8-11
00-0 Pedir, P. Asquith 8-11
00-0 Quick Away, F. Yardley 8-11
0-00 Rozanne Boyer, C. Nelson 8-11
040- Sooty Willow, E. Reavey 8-11
240- Stormy Deeres, J. Cousins 8-11
305 Calpaddy, R. Hollinshead 8-8
00-0 Who Loves You, D. Hanley 8-8

4.30 LONGTON HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,308: 1m 40yds)

10-0 Water Ballet, R. Houghton 9-0
311 Villa Mill, T. Fairhurst 8-13
1-23 Seriama, E. Collingwood 8-12
102- Smokey Bear, J. Hanson 8-6
1-10 W. G. Greys, R. Hollinshead 8-5
302 Inca Warrior, P. Rohan 8-5
40-0 Tumbler, G. P-Hobbyn 8-5
004- Grey Fusilier, M. Bolton 8-2
0-12 L. O. Barry, R. Hollinshead 7-12
0-01 Chantar, F. Rimell 7-5
00-0 Eastwood Marshall, M. Pipe 7-4
004 Miss Liqueur, P. Arthur 7-0

5.0 BURSLEM HANDICAP (£1,749: 1¼m)

100- Flame Tree, B. Hobbs 6-9-13
14-1 Crack of Light, H. Cecil 4-8-11
114- Drummossie, M. H. Easterby 4-8-9
0-03 High Steward, F. Dever 5-8-7
0-3 Roll Me Over, C. Thornton 4-8-5
2 Netherton, M. H. Easterby 5-8-3
0-31 Beverley Boy, W. Gray 6-8-2
00-0 Drink Up, D. Kent 4-7-13
120- Tanwen, D. Dartnall 4-7-12
125 Pair Kitty, J. Fitzgerald 7-7-10
012 Balladier, G. Balding 6-7-10
00-0 Emerald Emperor, J. Hanson 4-7-9
00-0 Turo, M. Tate 4-7-7
1-21 Swingdamus, A. Jarvis 4-7-7
00-0 Fullstop, N. Adam 4-7-7
0-03 Cavewoman, Hbt Jones 4-7-7
020 Sededab, J. Edmunds 5-7-7

Windsor

[Television (IBA): 2.45, 3.15 and 3.45 races]

2.15 ENTERPRISE STAKES (£568: 6f)

0 Comtec, K. Bridgwater 4-8-9
0-00 Swan's Rock, J. Bradley 4-8-9
Swanee Rhythm, F. Muggeridge 4-8-9
0-00 Friendly Kiss, M. Salaman 4-8-6
Legal Blemish, B. Wise 4-8-6
24-4 Mixed Up Kid, D. Marks 4-8-6
0-04 Persian Swallow, J. Haine 4-8-6
000 Wesley Boat, J. Bradley 4-8-6
00-0 Birthday Wish, K. Ivory 3-8-0
000 Gillyorope, M. Ryan 3-8-0
14-0 Mummys Colleen, N. Adam 3-8-0
00-0 Penstraance, S. Kernick 3-7-10
0 Sand Yacht, P. Cundell 3-7-10
00-0 True Gunnar, G. Harwood 3-7-10
0-00 Zingo, S. Holland 3-7-10
00-5 Final Act, A. Johnson 3-7-7
0- Fortunes Path, J. Holt 3-7-7
0- Ginger Square, D. Ringer 3-7-7
0- Herkomer Girl, K. Ivory 3-7-7
000- Jackies Chance, D. Wintle 3-7-7
00-0 Jamanu, S. Woodman 3-7-7
00-0 Little Cilla, D. Wintle 3-7-7
Night Work, C. Hill 3-7-7
000- Raindrop Wonder, V. Cross 3-7-7
0-00 Rozanne Boyer, C. Nelson 3-7-7
00-0 Shemala, D. Wintle 3-7-7

2.45 UNION JACK HANDICAP (£1,679: 1m 3f 150yds)

02-0 Royal Coachman, Miss A. Sinclair 4-9-7
13-1 Bansstar, J. Nelson 4-9-0
0-00 Splendid Summer, P. Ashworth 4-8-9
404 Hampshire, A. Pitt 4-8-7
040- Brig of Ayr, J. Dunlop 4-8-3
01-2 Winged Dancer, J. Old 6-8-3
041- Libol, Mrs R. Lomax 6-8-1
030 Arctic Rascal, J. Bradley 7-7-13
20-0 Hunting Cry, M. Salaman 4-7-9
142- Avildsen, D. Ringer 5-7-7
304- Tinus, Mrs N. Birch 5-7-7
0- Loose Koil, P. Arthur 6-7-7
340 Sandy Hill, J. Welch 6-7-7

3.15 NICKEL ALLOYS STAKES (2-y-o: £1,306: 5f)

Abbots Pass, R. Smyth 9-0
Admiral Song, P. Haslam 9-0
40 As Wise, B. Hills 9-0
Desert Command, R. Hannon 9-0
04 Double Daring, K. Ivory 9-0
32 Dragonite Prince, N. Callaghan 9-0
Fighting Tommy, M. Ryan 9-0
French Charisma, D. Laing 9-0
0 Lucky Willie, W. Stephenson 9-0
Minster Chimes, E. Reavey 9-0
04 Mr Minstrel, E. Reavey 9-0
23 Payta Anthony, H. Price 9-0
Pinner Payre, A. Johnson 9-0
40 Quick Tram, G. Peter-Hobbyn 9-0
Riyal, M. Masson 9-0
3 Sandy Bay, C. Hill 9-0
Snowdon, G. Peter-Hobbyn 9-0
0 Spanish Affair, M. Salaman 9-0
03 Sweetboy, E. Reavey 9-0
The Martyr, V. Cross 9-0
0 Thomson's Bond, J. Sutcliffe 9-0
0 Twice Rich (BF), M. Stoute 9-0
Tycho Brahe, P. Kelleway 9-0
24 Wootton, R. Hannon 9-0
0 Yellow Rock, G. Harwood 9-0
2 As I Wish, S. Supple 8-11

40 Dancing Kathleen, B. Swift 8-11
Frimley's Alana, P. Arthur 8-11
Rockaway, W. Wightman 8-11
04 Sweet Glow, W. Wightman 8-11
Winter Sunshine, P. Haslam 8-11

3.45 MAY DAY STAKES (2-y-o: £1,671: 5f)

331 Bart, E. Reavey 9-1
341 Be Cross, R. Vibert 9-1
10 Heir To The Throne, P. Cole 9-1
11 Schweppshire Lad, M. Stoute 9-1
31 Darlinga, E. Reavey 8-12
121 Friendly Neighbour, C. Hill 8-12
11 Sand Dancer, R. Hannon 8-12
Ferryman, G. Peter-Hobbyn 8-11
Handy Sinner, Miss N. Wilmot 8-11
0 Twice Rich, M. Stoute 8-11
21 Wootton, R. Hannon 8-11
00 Antique Bloom, P. Kelleway 8-8
200 Long Meadow, S. Supple 8-8

4.15 CROSS OF ST GEORGE HANDICAP (2-y-o: £4,318: 6f)

33-2 Swing Bridge, Thomson Jones 9-3
140- Happy Donna, M. Stoute 8-13
0-20 Frimley Park, P. Arthur 8-11
201 Pipedreamer, H. Candy 8-8
020- Flashy Looker, E. Reavey 8-7
0-00 Royal Companion, C. Nelson 8-7
0-21 Huno Di Tours, L. Cumani 8-7
00-1 Jack Splendid, R. Hannon 8-5
03-1 Hamdani, R. Boss 8-5
0-00 St Terramar, G. Peter-Hobbyn 8-4
112- Main Ingredient, P. Cole 8-4
10-0 Quenrick, J. Dunlop 8-3
20-1 Fishmonny, R. Houghton 8-3
3-10 Spanish Issue, P. Cundell 8-3
011 Roman Scribe, S. Woodman 8-2
0-00 Soul Singer, B. Swift 8-1
0-02 Sweet Relief, G. Harwood 8-1
1 Black Butterfly, H. Price 8-0
30-2 Glab, J. Sutcliffe 7-13
01- Klaronette, M. Smyly 7-11
03-0 Mallabee, W. Wightman 7-11
430 Roger Bacon, J. Haine 7-10
440 Albert Philo, E. Reavey 7-7
000- Lady of Man, A. Johnson 7-7
01-3 Peaceful River, C. Hill 7-7
20-3 Flying Optician, P. Cole 7-7
00-0 Who Loves You, D. Hanley 7-0

4.45 LIBERTY STAKES (3-y-o: £997: 1½m 22yds)

03-0 Amerian, R. Houghton 9-0
00- Aston Hall, M. Prescott 9-0
000- August Moon, P. Walwyn 9-0
0 Bibi, H. Cecil 9-0
00-0 BMC Special, N. Adam 9-0
00-0 Cultivator, N. Gaselee 9-0
303 Debaboy, P. Arthur 9-0
43-0 Derring Gift, M. Stoute 9-0
00 Double Duty, J. Sutcliffe 9-0
0-30 Dyk-a-Tak, C. Benstead 9-0
200- Flying Walter, M. Stoute 9-0
0-04 Follwell, D. Sasse 9-0
00- General Carl, R. Hills 9-0
00-0 Gumble, M. Smyly 9-0
04-2 Hashofet, A. Ingham 9-0
0-00 Henlow Gamble, N. Callaghan 9-0
00- Herb Hawken, G. Peter-Hobbyn 9-0
00- High Swanee, H. Westbrook 9-0
00-0 Hilard, B. Hills 9-0
4 Hurakan, M. Jarvis 9-0
Iman, P. Haslam 9-0
00 Indian Jim, R. Armstrong 9-0
00-0 Irish Aristocrat, N. Callaghan 9-0
00-0 Kanon, M. Ryan 9-0
000- Kintbury, Mrs N. Birch 9-0
00-0 Leith Prince, M. Francis 9-0
0-04 Lobster Bisque, V. Cross 9-0
400- Lustrous Prince, R. Armstrong 9-0
00- Mameluke, T. Gosling 9-0
0-3 Mammoth, P. Walwyn 9-0
000- Major George, D. Keith 9-0
000- Marcus Rook, D. Hanley 9-0
000- Mascarenhas, T. Gosling 9-0
00- Monkey Corners, J. Dunlop 9-0
00-0 Prince Bean, B. Hills 9-0
0 Proven, P. Walwyn 9-0
0 Quillan, M. Francis 9-0
000- Ralocheor, P. Haslam 9-0
0 Rarely Equalled, P. Cole 9-0
00- Relkestee, D. Ringer 9-0
0-00 Rocker My Son, R. Jarvis 9-0
Royalan, C. Benstead 9-0
Silfion, H. Price 9-0
0-0 Sinbrook, S. Woodman 9-0
00-0 Smith Seal, A. Johnson 9-0
Spring Easy, N. Vigors 9-0
00-0 Starsky, A. Ingham 9-0
00-0 The Kaffir, M. Francis 9-0
0-00 Toyco, R. Reeson 9-0
00-0 Uranus, R. Smyth 9-0
0 Valiant, P. Walwyn 9-0
00-0 Welsh Knight, H. Cecil 9-0

Southwell NH

2.15 MAYPOLE HURDLE (Novices: £757: 2½m)

132 Cavity Hunter, A. Dickinson 8-12-7
201 I'm A Driver, A. Dickinson 7-12-7
101 Melody River, J. Edwards 8-12-7
100 Pirate Jack, T. Tate 6-12-7
330 David Tudor, D. Ringer 5-12-0
130 Elite Lady, M. Oliver 6-12-0
003 Foreign Embassy, W. A. Stephenson 4-12-0
0o0 Glissando, D. Morley 5-12-0
210 Gullway, R. Hollinshead 5-12-0
0p0 Kolligan Kangaroo, D. Ringer 5-12-0
513 Levkimmis, H. Westbrook 5-12-0
011 Little Rooster, W. Wharton 4-12-0
414 Merry Leon, H. Hanmer 6-12-0
401 Pride of Tamnessee, J. Gifford 5-12-0
212 Prince Kumar VI, M. Oliver 6-12-0
132 Super Travel, J. Gifford 7-12-0
0 Allwroni, O. Brennan 5-11-7
0- Ballynaclogh, G. Kindersley 6-11-7
320 Bandyke, W. A. Stephenson 4-11-7
044 Beau Lord, J. Edwards 8-11-7
p0 Bold Argument, R. Blakeney 5-11-7
Carradale, W. Clay 5-11-7
Coplow Kate, E. Barlow 5-11-7
323 Corston Lass, G. Richards 6-11-7
4 Cross B, A. Dickinson 6-11-7
Dark Beauty, W. A. Stephenson 7-11-7
000 Diddy David, C. Hoyle 7-11-7
00 Dracons Girl, J. Timbrell 6-11-7
Trunky, J. Twibell 6-11-7
Dutch Martyr, A. Birch 5-11-7
000 Eastern Lullaby, M. Goswell 8-11-7
0-f Elf-Rose, J. Twibell 8-11-7
Errand Boy, J. Harris 8-11-7
320 Faloria, O. Brennan 8-11-7
0 Fast Oneen, J. Bingham 6-11-7
000 Festive Star, T. Kersey 7-11-7
000 Flora Go Lightly, J. Priday 7-11-7
000 Flying Straight, Mrs D. Oughton 6-11-7
000 Garbally Girl, J. Leigh 5-11-7
030 Give It Rest, J. Duffy 6-11-7
00p Golda M, J. Duffy 5-11-7
Grange Pride, A. Brisbourne 5-11-7
500 Green Furze, M. Oliver 5-11-7
200 Harry Hedges, D. Jermy 6-11-7
00 Helensburgh, J. FitzGerald 7-11-7
Hot Tomato, W. A. Stephenson 6-11-7
00 Ivan, A. Brisbourne 5-11-7
00 Kinton, G. Vergette 6-11-7
000- Linda's Pet, C. Hoyle 5-11-7
00-0 Locomotive, H. Wharton 6-11-7
Manall, W. Tinning 6-11-7
000- Mary Joan, W. Whiston 9-11-7
f-0 Morgan's Star, S. Holland 7-11-7
040 Mr Dram, A. Dickinson 5-11-7
153 Mummy's Star, S. Mellor 4-11-7
2f0 Nicola Lisa, J. Edwards 6-11-7
200 Pinza Again, W. Hardy 6-11-7
0-40 Pongee Boy, W. A. Stephenson 5-11-7
f00 Proper Khanda, J. Peacock 5-11-7
0 Real Tartar, C. Crewe 6-11-7
500 Red Colorado, J. Leigh 6-11-7
00- Red Sabbath, S. Palmer 6-11-7
012 Scotch Henry, W. A. Stephenson 4-11-7

010 Skegby, O. Brennan 4-11-7
Some Say, R. Vibert 6-11-7
00 Space Fly, W. Whiston 7-11-7
00 Spancil Hill, W. A. Stephenson 5-11-7
0p0 The Festival Chat, A. Fisher 6-11-7
The Owler, M. Oliver 6-11-7
000 Tim's Choice, S. Bowring 12-11-7
Tudor Sue, G. Wallace 9-11-7
0f4 Turasco, J. Spearing 6-11-7
0 Twist of Faith, D. Doyle 6-11-7
0 Valiant Queen, P. Felgate 5-11-7
f0n Warrior King, S. Mellor 7-11-7
040 Wisden, M. Delahooke 5-11-7
000 Wishful Miss, B. Richmond 7-11-7
p00 Yagoda, C. Hoyle 5-11-7
f0 Young Alto, J. Timbrell 5-11-7
331 Zonari, A. Dickinson 5-11-7
Borak, J. Harris 4-11-0
no Brother Gordon, R. W. Smith 4-11-0
p0 Clane, Earl Jones 4-11-0
0 Direct Line, W. A. Stephenson 4-11-0
0p0 Glenfern, K. Bridgwater 4-11-0
pp Kit Willow, Mrs R. Wormall 4-11-0
004 Le Doren, W. Clay 4-11-0
p00 Major Enterprise, S. Holland 4-11-0
f00 Overseer, M. Oliver 4-11-0
p40 Paquita, Mrs A. McKinlay 4-11-0
400 Pending, N. Hall 4-11-0
p02 Regal Range, G. Vergette 4-11-0
p02 Royal Flip, A. Potts 4-11-0
Secret Palm, P. Rowlby 4-11-0
000 Snack Time, B. Hills 4-11-0
Something-in-Hand, P. Felgate 4-11-0
000 Sovereign Lane, Earl Jones 4-11-0
00 Tycoonello, A. Dickinson 4-11-0
002 Velvet Boy, A. Smith 4-11-0

2.45 OLLERTON HURDLE (£385: 2m)

00f Darren's Lad, B. Sayles 5-11-12
030 Delaware Bay, M. Tate 5-11-12
050 Forty Thieves, P. Felgate 5-11-12
p00 King Glimmer, T. Taylor 5-11-12
Lush Fall, H. Manners 5-11-12
fp0 Supreme Cat, T. Kersey 5-11-12
0-0 Thatched House Lad, C. Christian 5-11-12
f4b Alice Clarke, D. Gandolfo 4-11-5
40 Alora, D. Ringer 4-11-5
f0p Carr Farm, S. Bowring 4-11-5
000 Compound, J. Bissill 4-11-5
0f4 Half a Portion, D. Jermy 4-11-5
pp0 Light Rain, C. Tutchings 4-11-5
Maystreak Bank, E. Magner 4-11-5
000 Padovanna, T. Taylor 4-11-5
p40 Paquita, Mrs A. McKinlay 4-11-5
00 Portal Prince, D. Garraton 4-11-5
000 Porthos, D. Jermy 4-11-5
050 Tread Softly, W. Clay 4-11-5
0pf Welsh Hero, E. R. Jones 4-11-5

3.15 AKINS HURDLE (Handicap: £1,055: 2½m)

100 Prescott, G. Balding 7-12-0
434 Babbling Brook, D. Morley 6-11-13
303 Nimstar, M. H. Easterby 5-11-12
000 Hopeful Bloom, W. Elsey 5-11-10
000 Yes Yes Yes, W. A. Stephenson 6-11-9
12-0 Maurivarano, O. Brennan 6-11-9
000 Staccato, D. Morley 5-11-8
100 Top-N-Tale, G. Richards 5-11-7
4f0 Charlie Battle, S. Norton 4-11-7
100 Coutseu, M. Ryan 7-11-6
301 Lampshade, P. Bevan 5-11-5
14-0 Stanwick Sovereign, W. A. Stephenson 7-11-5
000 Palsestrina, R. Vibert 6-11-4
404 Borg, K. Bailey 5-11-3
030 Carolinian, S. Palmer 5-11-2
000 Dear Remus, J. Harris 6-11-2
250 Emma J, W. Whiston 10-11-2
312 Saintly Sorrel, W. A. Stephenson 4-11-0
0f0 Leeward, M. Tate 9-10-13
402 Selby, M. H. Easterby 5-10-13
030 Turk, L. Furman 6-10-12
000 Gidi Pass, S. Meiori 6-10-12
000 Karsmist, W. Barrett 6-10-11
0f0 Three Musketeer's, W. Wharton 5-10-10
0r0 Jewel of Mastb, S. Palmer 7-10-8
004 Mr Resistor, T. Barron 5-10-7
040 New Horn, P. Allingham 8-10-7
420 Airy Fairy, G. O'Neill 10-10-5
003- Idro, J. A. Turner 9-10-5
000 Bonny Royal, W. Whiston 10-10-4
000 Kastrup, M. Oliver 11-10-4
000 Naivasha, A. Potts 6-10-1
p00 Master Bivouac, Miss A. Hill-Wood 9-10-0
000 Carlitos, J. Long 9-10-0
000 Michelle, G. Wallace 6-10-0
p00 Yagoda, C. Hoyle 5-10-0

3.45 MINERS WELFARE CHASE (Maidens: £563: 2m 74yd)

f00 All Bright, D. Nicholson 6-11-12
000 Ammenelia, W. Allen 6-11-12
430 Bold Saint, L. Bowman 6-11-12
f40 Daventry, J. Long 6-11-12
f00 Foggy Pierre, C. Crewe 6-11-12
302 Gale Forecast, Mrs D. Oughton 6-11-12
030 Give It Rest, J. Duffy 6-11-12
000 King's Oracle, S. Palmer 6-11-12
pnf Lambley Lad, W. Hardy 6-11-12
ff0 Miberess, S. Holland 6-11-12
504 Printers Imp, C. James 6-11-12
Sir Tacks, J. Gifford 6-11-12
210 Spartan Tudor, S. Norton 6-11-12
f30 Village Dusky, Denys Smith 6-11-12
Sandytech, K. Bridgwater 5-11-5
003 Bold Lord, D. Nicholson 5-11-5
2f3 Buckville, W. A. Stephenson 5-11-5
000 Caravino, R. Whitaker 5-11-5
00f Darren's Lad, B. Sayles 5-11-5
400 Ex Professo, G. Richards 5-11-5
20-0 Fire Plum, N. Gaselee 5-11-5
0b0 Leeann Lad, R. Clay 5-11-5
000- Nigel Mark, J. Sutton 5-11-5
040 Russian Society, W. A. Stephenson 5-11-5
230 Snowy M, W. Stephenson 5-11-5

4.15 HOLIDAY CHASE (Handicap: £956: 3m 4f)

u20 Fox Rum, M. Tate 7-12-0
20b Bentley Boy, D. Nicholson 12-11-13
p00 Tasco, S. Holland 8-11-8
100 Maidhais, J. Haine 6-11-7
200 Silver Delight, G. Balding 9-11-6
4b1 Madison, J. Priday 11-11-4
000 Forest Guard, G. Richards 7-11-3
0f1 Coolard, Pat Mitchell 12-11-3
440 Straight Vulgan, P. Ransom 12-11-3
34f Gay God, D. Pearman 8-11-2
331 Scort, D. Morley 8-11-1
30p Moorabinda, H. Hanmer 8-10-11
f34 Physicist, J. Gifford 6-10-11
000 Ballygarvan Brook, Earl Jones 7-10-9
ff-0 Catamac, R. Armytage 7-10-7
030 Shanes Castle, J. Duffy 11-10-6
u04 Kenimere, W. A. Stephenson 7-10-6
0fu Wild Rushes, M. Oliver 8-10-4
0f4 Kevock Royal, J. Edwards 10-10-3
2f3 Buckville, W. A. Stephenson 5-10-3
ff0 Moon Trip, M. Connell 10-10-2
f42 Nicholas Nickleby II, Peter Taylor 10-10-0
02-0 Taken On, W. Holden 7-10-0
0nf Donadeico, D. Doyle 10-10-0
00u Nadeem, H. Hanmer 11-10-0
0f0 Rathowen, J. Spearing 7-10-0
0p0 Garryvoe, B. Richmond 10-10-0

4.45 MAY QUEEN HURDLE (Handicap: £515: 2m)

131 Saragusa, H. Westbrook 6-13-0
100 Benevolence, W. Clay 5-11-5
3-3f Full Value, D. Ringer 7-11-3
000 Staccato, D. Morley 5-10-13

1 Gullible Joe, H. Wharton 8-10-13
400 Montage, F. Rimell 7-10-13
104 Jason, M. H. Easterby 4-10-12
100 Fob, A. Birch 7-10-9
03p David's City, W. Guest 8-10-9
000 Mary McQuaker, T. Barron 6-10-8
010 Friendly Boy, G. Richards 6-10-7
b00 Rue d'Or, O. O'Neill 7-10-6
230 Bandyke, W. A. Stephenson 4-10-5
0bf Calmin, Pat Mitchell 6-10-4
1-0c Continuous, R. Whitaker 7-10-4
000 Darling Bob, G. Balding 6-10-4
033 Oueluz, M. Tate 5-10-3
200 Boy Marvel, J. Bingham 5-10-2
200 Pinza Again, W. Hardy 6-10-1
004 Mr Resistor, T. Barron 5-10-0
1f4 Banjo Bones, G. Kindersley 5-10-0
0-20 Imperialist, S. Cole 5-10-0
p00 Bargilleen, G. Wallace 5-10-0
3n0 Cernan, N. Hall 6-10-0
030 Salute the Law, W. Wharton 7-10-0
400 Madam Four, Mrs B. Brunt 6-10-0
210 Happy Call, A. Potts 7-10-0
000- Delarum, H. Morris 6-10-0
000 Dean's Guy, T. Taylor 4-10-0
p0f Black Bag, C. Dawson 6-10-0
b0p Marchi, S. Bowring 12-10-0
0 Legendary Isle, J. Panvert 7-10-0

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2.0 ASTCOTE HURDLE (Handicap: £615: 2m)

12-4 New Henry, P. Bevan 7-13-7
p-00 Star Penny, Mrs Lomax 6-11-13
f01 Prince Ardent, P. Bevan 6-11-8
415 Levkimmis, H. Westbrook 5-11-6
102 Sweet Millie, C. Dingwall 5-11-6
002 Dr Hines, O. O'Neill 7-11-5
000 Invergarvie, J. Old 6-11-4
0-n0 Rally Driver, T. Forster 11-11-2
400 Wells Fargo, R. Page 8-11-1
001 Tragacanth, W. Holden 5-11-1
420 Airy Fairy, C. O'Neill 10-11-0
u5-0 Sinner Man, P. Green 8-11-0
000 Aureleat, J. Perrett 10-11-0
000 Seven the Quadrant, E. Warren 8-10-13
ffr Take It Easy, J. Clark 7-10-12
f10 Anpin, P. Rovan 7-10-12
000 Historic Myth, A. W. Jones 9-10-12
000 Marsh Hey, J. Wilding 7-10-11
002 Downing Arms, D. Ringer 8-10-10
00p Dry Ice, C. O'Neill 10-10-10
00-0 Kingstown, J. Haine 9-10-9
0p4 Castell Memories, Mrs Waring 10-10-9
241 Grotta's Girl, C. James 5-10-9
f00- Frankly Yes, P. Burton 5-10-8
000 Dolben Lass, J. Harris 5-10-8
001 Paradise Flight, M. Chapman 10-10-7
0f4 Purple Emperor, D. Grissell 7-10-6
0pp Bishop's Crook, D. Gandolfo 7-10-6
p0p Warwick Flyer, O. O'Neill 7-10-6
up4 Royal Ring II, M. Chapman 10-10-4
044 Dellwood Prince, W. Holden 6-10-4
04-0 Connecticut, B. Adams 7-10-4
000 Dun Uisdean, B. Cambidge 8-10-3
43-1 Delapre Lad, J. Peacock 15-10-3
000 Cawstons Prince, J. Joseph 6-10-2
p0p Time Out, D. Gandolfo 6-10-2
000 Bright Baby, L. Thomas 8-10-1
000 Painted Sky, V. Lay 7-10-0
200 Irish Word, F. Yardley 10-10-0
p40 Para's Girl, J. Spearing 5-10-0
f02 Diesdon, F. Yardley 11-10-0
000 Penny's Affair, M. Daniel 5-10-0
000 Turenne's Last, R. Finch 5-10-0
000 La Chica, M. Davies 8-10-0
000 High St, J. Priday 11-10-0
40-0 All Courage, J. Wilding 17-10-0
000 Le Sive, G. Williams 12-10-0
000 Pleasure Seeker, G. Bull 9-10-0
100 Buckshot, C. Miller 13-10-0
001 Misdeal, A. Goodwill 6-10-0
0f0 Pirate Gold, T. Brookshaw 9-10-0
000 Jockey, D. Lewis 9-10-0
002 Golden Jot, J. Perrett 9-10-0
000 Captain Cheeko, P. Allingham 4-10-0
0-0 Paction, G. Burr 6-10-0
000 Lord Leo, J. Peacock 7-10-0
0-00 Sovereign Palace, T. Hallett 8-10-0
000 Skippin, H. Willis 14-10-0
p0-0 Scotmoss, R. Wall 8-10-0

2.30 EMPRESS HUNTERS CHASE (£769: 3m 190yd)

104 Crofter, J. Gifford 8-12-7
11 Polis Rambler, F. Winter 7-12-7
fn1 The Coalman, R. Lloyd 8-12-7
11-0 Alamein, J. Dean 7-12-0
p00 Armoured Car, J. Cunningham 11-12-0
10- Crystal Gazer, C. Gee 11-12-0
p43 Dusky May, A. Wates 10-12-0
0np Hard Cash, B. Cambidge 9-12-0
nf0 Horoscope, D. White 13-12-0
f00- Peace Pact, C. Holmes 8-12-0
000 Playbill, Lord Fitzwilliam 13-12-0
f00- Rossman, L. Wreford 9-12-0
000 Soho Soi, J. Bloom 13-12-0
440 Straight Vulgan, P. Ransom 12-12-0
u04 Beau Reynard, G. Newell 11-11-7
pp- Beggars Way, H. Jackson 14-11-7
5-43 Copper Venture, W. Hackett 11-11-7
f Crack Shot, H. Barlow 9-11-7
p Fboriad, W. Mawle 9-11-7
p4p Family Man, G. Graham 8-11-7
p0p Indian Red, P. Mann 13-11-7
Jack's Cottage, R. Lee 11-11-7
Lazy Lady, Mrs McNamara 8-11-7
0p3 Mister Fantasy, J. Gifford 9-11-7
04 Railway Line, J. Matthews 6-11-7
p-f Right Deal, A. Dace 12-11-7
04-4 Senior Wrangler, N. Gaselee 11-11-7

3.0 EASTON NESTON HURDLE (Handicap: £993: 2m)

151 Saragusa, H. Westbrook 6-12-5
124 Tiepolino, J. Gifford 6-12-2
001 Ramblix, F. Winter 6-11-13
010 Centaur, F. Walwyn 10-11-7
210 Croome, D. Barons 8-11-4
000 Master Davenport, J. Webber 6-11-2
300 Bill Hobbs, G. Balding 6-10-13
040 Personal Call, R. Atkins 5-10-13
500 Colonel Nelson, D. Nicholson 7-10-12
1-22 Highland Orchid, N. Gaselee 6-10-11
030 Repalism, T. Forster 5-10-10
434 Babbling Brook, D. Morley 6-10-9
000 True Shot, D. Underwood 5-10-8
301 Share, R. Head 6-10-8
420 Barry John, P. Cundell 6-10-8
3-3f Full Value, D. Ringer 7-10-8
100 Royal Judgement, J. Gifford 5-10-7
000 Destiny Hill, S. Holland 7-10-7
404 Peter Grimes, R. Turnell 5-10-7
f00 Major Role, J. Joseph 8-10-5
000 Staccato, D. Morley 5-10-4
400 Loonshiang, J. Haine 5-10-2
002 High Drama, R. Carter 6-10-0
000 Rue d'Or, O. O'Neill 7-10-0
330 Molly's Beau, Mrs Pitman 6-10-0
000 Darling Bob, G. Balding 6-10-0
404 New Horn, P. Allingham 8-10-0
000 Lawacre, R. Wall 7-10-0
p00 Carlitos, J. Long 9-10-0

3.30 HEATHENCOTE CHASE (Novices: £615: 2m 50yd)

f14 Anthony of Padua, F. Walwyn 7-11-13
001 Archbold, P. Winter 7-11-13
33p Saintly Purchase, D. Morley 6-11-13
413 Sydney Quin, W. Mann 6-11-13
100 Tudor Prospect, I. Dudgeon 6-11-13
301 Big Charles, N. Gaselee 5-11-6
0f1 Durham Lad, D. Gandolfo 5-11-6
f?0 Island Mist, H. Nicholson 5-11-6
00u Bill's Brother, P. Allingham 9-11-3
0u0 Blackwater Hill, L. Thomas 11-11-3
00u Clifford Street, C. Bewicke 7-11-3
0n0 Cradenly, M. Marsh 9-11-3
f40 Daventry, J. Long 6-11-3
230 Heidelberg, Mrs Oughton 9-11-3
000 Rowan Hills, C. Dingwall 6-11-3
040 Indian Scholar, D. Lewis 9-11-3
3f4 Law Society, F. Yardley 7-11-3
p20 Lone General, F. Walwyn 6-11-3
4 Lords, R. Wall 7-11-3
032 Magic Love, R. Carter 6-11-3
402 Miss Kilo, A. W. Jones 6-11-3
420 Prosen, J. O'Donoghue 9-11-3
Red Arrow II, R. Atkins 9-11-3
f?0 Tashkentia, R. Armytage 8-11-3
n2n Tiger Trap, W. Fisher 8-11-3
p00 Zonia, R. Clay 10-11-3
p0? Lavilla, E. Courage 5-10-10
0b0 Leeann Lad, R. Clay 5-10-10
0f0 Regent Dancer, D. Barons 5-10-10
400 Swift Half, J. Wilding 5-10-10

4.0 FRED WITHINGTON CUP CHASE (Handicap: £944: 2m 5½f)

100 Sonny Somers, F. Winter 16-12-0
f13 Trustful, S. Mellor 7-11-7
431 Valiant Charger, F. Winter 7-11-3
1f0 Captain George, J. Gifford 9-11-2
0n3 Mister Fantasy, J. Gifford 9-11-1
400 Coffee Bean, T. Forster 8-11-1
n31 Stonepark, J. Gifford 6-10-13
210 Persian Prince, F. Walwyn 8-10-12
220 Vatican Express, E. Courage 7-10-10
0f1 Jave River, S. Mellor 9-10-10
20n Noon, J. Turner 11-10-7
11f Pensive Prince, D. Barons 10-10-7
203 Regent's Choice, A. Wates 6-10-6
040 Ballinlonig, J. Webber 7-10-6
200 Silver Delight, G. Balding 9-10-4
450 Drumwyne, D. Hanley 9-10-2
400 Battle Hymn, H. Nicholson 9-10-0
434 Corrib Road, A. Arnold 8-10-0
011 Rathlek, D. Greig 8-10-0
010 My Captain, D. Morley 9-10-0
000 Roman Child, W. Mann 7-10-0
f?0 Catamac, R. Armytage 7-10-0
030 South Side, M. Francis 12-10-0
040 Indian Scholar, D. Lewis 9-10-0

4.30 HOLIDAY HURDLE (Novices: £718: 2m 5f 26yd)

100 Royal Judgement, J. Gifford 5-12-8
010 Chevalgan, R. Armytage 5-11-12
410 Church Belle, E. Beeson 6-11-12
f32 David Brian, S. Mellor 6-11-12
010 Don Enrico, A. Taylor 6-11-12
210 Gullway, R. Hollinshead 5-11-12
341 Legal Branch, J. Gifford 5-11-12
131 Levkimmis, H. Westbrook 5-11-12
f31 Loving Words, J. Ormond 5-11-12
X1n Mauritius, P. Winter 6-11-12
10f Merry Kerry, J. Joseph 6-11-12
f10 Romany Boy, P. Cundell 8-11-12
Admit, J. Webber 5-11-2
000 Arctic Lee, C. Harnett 5-11-2
0 Ballet Master, A. W. Jones 5-11-2
p0 Ballycross, R. Page 6-11-2
Brinkwood, D. Nicholson 6-11-2
p00 C'Est Afrique, Mrs Lomax 7-11-2
Champagne Rosie, A. Taylor 7-11-2
00u Cristal River, P. Watkins 6-11-2
002 Curradhglass, T. Hallett 7-11-2
Thompson II, J. Old 8-11-2
040 Double Inn, Mrs Oughton 8-11-2
Dymock Duke, M. Wilesmith 5-11-2
000 Eastern Lullaby, M. Goswell 8-11-2
n40 El Padre, J. Turner 8-11-2
000 Farrington Gurney, L. Dudgeon 8-11-2
000 Flying Straight, Mrs Oughton 6-11-2
0f Fossway Folly, W. Wharton 6-11-2
000 Freedom's Fee, T. Yarnold 6-11-2
0u3 French Canadian, R. Turnell 10-11-2
0f Green Sandpiper, J. Webber 8-11-2
000 Gun Money, W. Wharton 5-11-2
030 Indian Captive, A. Goodwin 7-11-2
3n Iron Fighter, W. Fisher 5-11-2
n0-0 Jimmyfisher, L. Thwaites 7-11-2
000 Jockey, D. Lewis 8-11-2
000 Lovers Last, R. Chugg 8-11-2
233 Lukewarm, K. Bailey 8-11-2
n50 Mateo, T. Brookshaw 8-11-2
500 Mr Hogarty, R. Wall 7-11-2
Mr Wellow, N. Gaselee 7-11-2
004 My Hussar, M. Marsh 6-11-2
My Three Sons, J. Gifford 6-11-2
000 National Express, A. Williams 6-11-2
0f Open Mind, J. Gifford 7-11-2
00 Prince Charmer, P. Bailey 6-11-2
533 Queen's Herald, F. Winter 8-11-2
00 Royal Gambol, J. Old 7-11-2
up4 Royal Ring II, M. Chapman 10-11-2
040 Saddle Tramp, A. Arnold 6-11-2
p02 Saran Slave, P. Cundell 7-11-2
030 Sea Heather, S. Mellor 5-11-2
Some Say, R. Vibert 6-11-2
000 Sunflight, B. Cambidge 5-11-2
0p-p Tudor Charlie, Mrs Waring 8-11-2
0f4 Turasco, J. Spearing 6-11-2
050 Upham Royal, D. Gandolfo 6-11-2
20u Valarion, C. Benstead 5-11-2
40-0 Verrocchio, B. Cambidge 10-11-2
243 Whistler's Lane, I. Wardle 8-11-2
Dunrose, C. Grimwade 4-10-5
p0 Eva Anne, G. Burr 4-10-5
00p Just Peso, V. Lay 4-10-5
000 Royal William, R. Armytage 4-10-5
000 Silent Tango, A. Blackmore 4-10-5
000 Snack Time, B. Hills 4-10-5

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2.0 FITTLEWORTH HURDLE (Handicap: £643: 2m 1f)

0- Tricky Nicky, R. Leach 6-12-7
f30- Tommy Tiddler, D. Underwood 8-12-0
000 Bobette, M. Delahooke 6-12-0
000 Tumble Rock, B. Shaw 7-11-6
102 Sweet Millie, C. Dingwall 5-11-6
002 Dr Hines, O. O'Neill 7-11-5
41p Old Smokey, M. Bolton 9-11-4
340 Jack Jiggs, B. Wise 6-11-2
0-00 Rally Driver, T. Forster 11-11-2
000 Trench, A. Moore 6-11-1
000 Aureleate, J. Perrett 10-11-0

040 Meads Manor, D. Jermy 9-10-0
002 Downing Arms, D. Ringer 6-10-10
000 Moss Way, A. Jones 7-10-10
000 George Kirtland, J. Priday 9-10-9
0p4 Castell Memories, Mrs Waring 10-10-9
00-0 Kingstown, J. Haine 9-10-9
p02 Law Bench, R. Hodges 6-10-8
p0p Warwick Flyer, O. O'Neill 7-10-6
0f4 Purple Emperor, D. Grissell 8-10-6
200 Four New Pence, G. Ripley 10-10-5
044 Dellwood Prince, W. Holden 6-10-4
0fp Golden Breeze, H. Ledger 5-10-4
pnp Time Out, D. Gandolfo 6-10-3
p-n0 Census, F. Muggeridge 6-10-3
441- Celtic Query, Mrs Whitfield 5-10-2
030 Warrenwood Park, D. Morley 7-10-2
110 Franwin, A. Davison 12-10-1
140 Le Tov, L. Waring 9-10-1
200 Irish Word, F. Yardley 10-10-0
000 La Chica, M. Davies 8-10-0
000 Soul Music, J. Bridger 8-10-0
05 Imperial River, J. Thorne 8-10-0
0f0 Sandwich Bay, A. Neaves 5-10-0
000 Waterville, H. Willis 8-10-0
100 Buckshot, C. Miller 13-10-0
f0f My Charlie, F. Muggeridge 8-10-0
f0-n Tudor Charlie, Mrs Waring 8-10-0
00 Tarradoon, M. Killoran 7-10-0
0u0 Bonidon, A. Moore 4-10-0
0 Ville Do, H. Willis 6-10-0
0 Legendary Isle, J. Panvert 7-10-0

2.30 ALDWICK CHASE (Novices: £844: 2½m)

121 Cabar Feidh, P. Calver 6-12-0
f14 Anthony of Padua, F. Walwyn 7-11-7
01p Hill Fly, F. Muggeridge 6-11-7
11 Philcol, J. Thorne 7-11-7
314 Queen's College, F. Walwyn 7-11-7
033 Roi de Frontiere, Mrs Oughton 6-11-7
33p Saintly Purchase, D. Morley 6-11-7
f01 Scouper, L. Merson 6-11-7
2u2 Star of the Arctic, D. Morley 7-11-7
Abinthane, K. Weisselberg 5-11-0
013 Ambremont, P. Taylor 5-11-0
f00 Andrew Patrick, R. Turnell 7-11-0
500 Cinchil, N. Callaghan 7-11-0
f40 Daventry, J. Long 6-11-0
0f1 Durham Lad, D. Gandolfo 5-11-0
000 Flora Go Lightly, J. Priday 7-11-0
302 Gale Forecast, Mrs Oughton 6-11-0
3f4 Law Society, F. Yardley 7-11-0
330 Linsky, F. Winter 6-11-0
010 Mister Tack, N. Wakley 6-11-0
0f Nordani, H. Willis 6-11-0
f34 Physicist, J. Gifford 6-11-0
400 Royal Romance, A. Moore 7-11-0
Sir Tacks, J. Gifford 6-11-0
2-0 Taken On, W. Holden 7-11-0
p20 Tiepin, Miss Barnes 7-11-0
004 Home Turn, D. Nicholson 5-10-7

3.0 BRACKLESHAM HURDLE (4-y-o: £1,441: 2m 1f)

130 Bustability, A. Jones 11-8
040 Sunhat, N. Gaselee 11-8
110 Barley Boy, G. Balding 11-5
021 Humdoleila, B. Hills 11-5
32f Royal Idol, V. Cross 11-5
410 Strathclyde, F. Winter 11-5
f0 Annegoni, D. Ringer 11-0
000 Annoriette, B. Wise 11-0
00 Clothes Line, A. Pitt 11-0
0f French Singer, T. Jones 11-0
000 Geeleeboo, A. Moor 11-0
00 Judicious, K. Weisselberg 11-0
Malew, H. Willis 11-0
0 Marry Meadow, F. Walwyn 11-0
11 News King, N. Callaghan 11-0
001 Rube's Wicket, J. Gifford 11-0
000 Sonic Sound, A. Moore 11-0
300 Strong Hand, A. Pitt 11-0
101 Swanee Rhythm, F. Muggeridge 11-0
p00 Tompion, Mrs Oughton 11-0
101 Village Swan, S. Matthews 11-0
Witching Hour, Mrs Gladders 11-0
310 Woburn, C. Bewicke 11-0

3.30 MAY DAY CHASE (Handicap: £1,657 2½m)

1-14 Even Dawn, B. Lunness 11-12-7
200 Menehall, F. Walwyn 11-12-2
303 Tingle Creek, T. Jones 12-11-11
343 Isle of Man, F. Walwyn 11-11-11
pnp Stone Thrower, R. Head 11-11-7
134 Tiepolino, J. Gifford 6-10-12
330 Harry Hotspur, Mrs Oughton 8-10-5
220 September Rain, C. Wates 10-10-0
p00 Golden Rapper, Miss Brewer 12-10-0
213 Ravir, D. Morley 5-10-0
33p Saintly Purchase, D. Morley 6-10-0
p20 Tiepin, Miss Barnes 7-10-0
000 Kininvie, J. George 9-10-0
p Alfs Pleasure, R. Leach 9-10-0
pp- Talassio, K. Eustace 11-10-0

4.0 RUSTINGTON HURDLE (Handicap £1,417: 2m 1f)

031 Kybo, J. Gifford 5-13-7
Balaton, R. Leach 6-12-7
11p Pinchow, D. Kent 7-12-0
134 Tiepolino, J. Gifford 6-11-3
021 Ramblix, F. Winter 6-11-3
100 Bramridge Farmer, F. Walwyn 10-10-9
010 Cold Justice, C. Benstead 8-10-7
120 Sandy Hill, J. Welch 6-10-6
300 Bill Hobbs, G. Balding 6-10-0
1-22 Highland Orchid, N. Gaselee 6-10-0
434 Babbling Brook, D. Morley 6-10-0
f02 Prince Abyss, P. Arthur 12-10-0
000 True Shot, D. Underwood 5-10-0
201 Share, R. Head 6-10-0
431 Princely Chief, D. Ringer 6-10-0
131 Strong Love, Mrs Smith 9-10-0
400 Mount Street, S. Matthews 6-10-0
000 Staccato, D. Morley 5-10-0
fup Stupendous Boy, S. Woodman 8-10-0
0f0 Mount Irvine, W. Evans 6-10-0
120 Light the Fire, P. Calver 5-10-0
02p Subaltern, B. Shaw 6-10-0
040 Meads Manor, D. Jermy 9-10-0
000 Andrew, A. Moore 6-10-0
000 Miss Worden, B. Wise 8-10-0
p0p Legal Advice, R. Clements 5-10-0
000 Carlitos, J. Long 9-10-0

4.30 CHARLTON CHASE (£856: 3¼m)

104 Crofter, J. Gifford 8-12-3
0-41 Curlew River, A. Scott 13-12-3
3f3- Helpex, M. Davies 10-12-2
1-p1 Talahache Bridge, Mrs Betts 8-12-2
034 Adulation, R. Roberts 11-11-12
0-0p Evagoras, Mrs Tylor 8-11-12
3p0- False Note, A. Cowen 12-11-12
b5-0 Fort Vulgan, R. Clements 10-11-12
4p-0 Lava Star, C. Popham 11-11-12
f-n2 Prince Tacitus, Mrs Stanier 12-11-12
333 Sailmaker, Mrs Reed 13-11-12
230 Saint Lo, F. Yardley 10-11-12
04-4 Senior Wrangler, N. Gaselee 11-11-12
p-4u Bahuddin, H. Willis 10-11-5
22f Mastership, L. Worner 8-11-5
po-3 Prides Pal, A. Clay 8-11-5

Newcastle results

2.30 (2.34) BLANCHLAND STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies: £1,173: 5f)
Anna's Secret, br f, by Most Secret—Rosemarkie (W. Thorne), 8-11 .... M. Birch (7-1) 1
Sweet and Lovely .... J. Bleasdale (12-1) 2
Jaques .... G. Lewis (2-1 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 Khadija, 6-1 A Star Born, 9-1 Lakshmi, 20-1 Bird's Island, Private Sentence, The Haulier, 33-1 Border Squaw, Cathedra, Celtic Edzell, Mill Lass, Moh Petil, Dancing Oyston Idol (4th), Rajani. 17 ran.
TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 12p, 27p, 39p; dual forecast, £4.07. M. H. Easterby, at Malton. 1½l, 12l. 1min 1.37sec.

3.0 (3.1) RIDSDALE STAKES (3-y-o: £818: 1m)
Transient, gr c, by No Mercy—Beach Tree (D. Rush), 8-7 .... P. Eddery (5-2) 1
Colleague .... C. Nutter (10-1) 2
Bush .... C. Moss (9-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Furness Scouse, 13-2 Free Game, 33-1 Hill 'n' Coe (4th), Chicago Jane, Gay Jill. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 12p, 22p, 56p; dual forecast, £1.47. N. Callaghan, at Newmarket. 6l, ½l. 1min 54.78sec.

3.30 (3.31) XYZ HANDICAP (3-y-o: £10,053: 1½m)
Brother Kempinski, b c, by Right Tack—Tuna (G. Freyne), 8-4 .... E. Hide (7-1) 1
Cutting Comment .... S. Webster (16-1) 2
M-Lolshan .... B. Taylor (9-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 War Whoop, 9-2 Roming, 8-1 Heir Presumptive (4th), 9-1 So Gifted, 14-1 Longcliffe, 16-1 Facetious, 20-1 Swagger Stick, Haddfan. 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 59p; places, 18p, 46p, 14p; dual forecast, £7.21. A. Geraghty in Ireland. 4l, 4l. 2min 21.04sec.

4.0 (4.02) GILSLAND STAKES (2-y-o: £1,289: 5f)
Pinkerton's Man, br or bl c, by Will Hays—Miss Pinkerton (G. Broadhurst), 9-2 .... O. Gray (evens fav) 1
Touch Boy .... S. Webster (7-4) 2
Tallshire Tommy .... J. Mercer (6-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 20-1 Oyston Estates (4th), Cairde, 33-1 Candlering Market, Caralist, Hickory Island. 8 ran. Relkozini did not run.
TOTE: Win, 18p; places, 11p, 11p, 18p; dual forecast, 18p. G. Richards, at Greystoke. ¾l, 5l. 1min 3.64sec.

4.30 (4.30) OTTERBURN HANDICAP (£1,389: 7f)
River Petterill, b m, by Another River—Hyper Rose (E. Elliott), 5-8-0 .... J. Bleasdale (6-1) 1
Monte Acuto .... E. Hide (7-1) 2
Charia Pearl .... R. Barker (9-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Running Jump, 5-1 Sunshine Lie, 12-1 Nashita, 14-1 Indiantra (4th), 16-1 Blue Marine, 20-1 Point One, Bri-Eden, Mummy's Pal. 11 ran. Jackoleon did not run.
TOTE: Win, £1.01; places, 29p, 32p, 44p; dual forecast, £3.70. T. Barnes at Penrith. 1min 35.97sec.

5.0 (5.1) HENSHAW STAKES (£1,450: 1m 4f 60yd)
Arapahos, ch c, by Gyr (USA)—Athenia II (R. Sangster), 3-8-10 .... E. Johnson (2-1 jt fav) 1
Kassari .... E. Hide (2-1 jt fav) 2
Ha'way Geordie .... L. Charnock (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Rhis, 7-1 Hauser, 10-1 Deep Profile (4th), 20-1 Poachers Pine, 33-1 Linamac, 50-1 Mervyn Galliard, Fused, Caterynе, Spider Pearl. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, 27p; places, 20p, 11p, £1.06; dual forecast, 41p. B. Hills, at Lambourn, 6l, nk. 2min 54.52sec.

TOTE DOUBLE: Brother Kempinski and River Petterill, £37.50. TREBLE: Strepponi, Pinkerton's Man, Arapahos. £6.30.

Beverley

2.15 (2.15) KIPLINGCOTES STAKES (Div I: £658: 7f)
Double Hill, ch c, by Lorenzaccio—Yvetta Guilbert (W. Skinner), 9-2 .... R. Marshall (evens fav) 1
Rebecca Maid .... K. Darley (6-1) 2
Derizen .... P. Young (6-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 6-1 Running Cost, 8-1 Yeomeopit, 10-1 Zingo (4th), 12-1 Kastrites, 14-1 Johnny Gent. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 18p; places, 11p, 11p, 28p; dual forecast, 42p. W. Marshall, at Newmarket. 10l, 1½l.

2.45 (2.46) SOUTH CAVE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,069: 5f)
Flying Tyke, ch c, by Huntercombe—Maid of Iron (M. Kitching), 8-11 .... B. Henry (2-1 fav) 1
Our Fimbar .... T. Major (9-4) 2
Sarasa Board .... M. L. Thomas (7-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-1 Sharp Lady, 8-1 Pakpao, 10-1 Walshaw Minnie (4th), 20-1 Surprise Party, 25-1 Sea Waif, 33-1 Maria. 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 16p; places, 11p, 14p, 16p; dual forecast, 26p. A. Smith, at Beverley, 4l, 4l. Katie Gay did not run.

3.15 (3.16) LECONFIELD HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,017: 1½m)
Clois Du Roi, br c, by Swinging Junior—Tamarig (W. Upex), 7-13 .... D. Nicholls (4-1) 1
Space Special .... B. Rouse (9-1) 2
L. O. Harry .... T. Ives (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Barnelo, 9-4 Bright Charlie, 12-1 St. Paddys Gift, 14-1 My Anastasia, Baby Arco (4th), 20-1 Bay Azios. 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 11p, 16p, 28p; dual forecast, £1.66. J. Vickers, at Darlington. ½l, 3l. Wild Justice did not run.

3.45 (3.48) HESSLE STAKES (£1,311: 1½m)
Flurry Knox, b c, by Irish Ball—Pardina (Miss H. Gevers), 3-8-4 .... E. Eldin (8-1) 1
Heather Tracks .... P. Madden (14-1) 2
Mountain Haye .... J. Seagrave (11-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Hand Over Fist (4th), 100-30 The Good Captain, 12-1 Amatitian, Hion Hamal, 14-1 Fleur de Flandre, 20-1 Be Free, Prince Oasis, Ronkeley, True Verdict, Jubilee Gift, Mylasanna, More Or Less. 15 ran.
TOTE: Win, 49p; places, 17p, 87p, 12p; dual forecast, £1.41. G. Pritchard Gordon, at Newmarket. 1½l, sh hd. Father's Footprints did not run.

4.15 (4.17) BOOTHFERRY HANDICAP (£2,101: 1m)
Pristicroft Boy, b g, by Chebs Lad—Alfreda (C. Norman), 5-7-9 .... M. L. Thomas (2-1) 1
Disc Jockey .... T. Major (11-8 fav) 2
Athenia Princess .... G. Sexton (10-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 8-1 Gold Loom (4th), Three Musketeers, Sir Destrier, 12-1 The Sergeant, Calaburn, 25-1 Mrs Higgins, 33-1 Contrete. 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, 18p; places, 11p, 22p, 18p; dual forecast, 16p. M. H. Easterby, at Malton. 4l, 2½l. Eastern Palace did not run.

4.45 (4.51) NORTH CAVE STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £820: 5f)
Superb Lady, b f, by Marcus Superbus—Lesca (B. Cousins), 7-10 .... K. Leason (20-1) 1
Don Drake .... A. Bond (12-1) 2
Con-Man .... J. Seagrave (7-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 English Gem, 6-1 Roxy Lad, 10-1 Brown Willy, Hydroplane, 12-1 Puritan Breakfast, Elasrof, 20-1 The Nip, 25-1 Dismantler (4th), Light Lad, Master Timothy, Stephen Martin, Benjamin Scott, Irish Countess, Viperion. 16 ran.
TOTE: Win, £5.44; places, 80p, 21p, 17p; dual forecast, £10.53. K. Ivory, at Radlett. Abiala (25-1) was withdrawn: Rule 4 does not apply. 2l, nk.

5.15 (5.16) KIPLINGCOTES STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o: £658: 7f)
Korbut, br c, by Swing Easy—Little Bird (Mrs R. Watson), 8-10 .... M. L. Thomas (3-1) 1
Calpeddy .... T. Ives (2-1 fav) 2
Sise Meridian .... W. Wharton (13-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Jaisingh, 5-1 Milton Fair, 7-1 Sadburge Wonder, Ruth's Diamond, 12-1 Lady Alinba. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 50p; places, 20p, 11p, 16p; dual forecast, 46p. J. Hardy, at Staunton. ½l, 2½l.

TOTE DOUBLE: Clois du Roi, Pristicroft Boy, £10.30. TREBLE: Flying Tyke, Flurry Knox, Superb Lady, £5.05. JACKPOT: Not won. PLACEPOT: £6.86.

Saturday Review

The happy man

by Lord Trevelyan



Some months ago I wrote for *The Times* Saturday edition an article on George Macaulay Trevelyan entitled "The History Man". A photograph showed the three sons of Sir George Otto Trevelyan, aristocrat and radical, historian-politician, who resigned twice from Gladstone's governments and wrote books which are still fresh, the life of his uncle Macaulay, the early life of Charles James Fox and the history of the American Revolution. His sons were all exceedingly tough in mind and body and there was a mental and physical likeness between them, but they differed radically in temperament and outlook and their ways of life were far apart. Charles was a romantic crusader on the left of politics, Bob a poet and George a famous historian.

On the face of it, nothing was more surprising than the appearance in the Trevelyan family of George Otto Trevelyan's second son, Robert Calverley, poet and translator of Greek verse, known to all and sundry as Bob. But, fatally for his profession, he was a Trevelyan, made in the mould of intellectual liberalism common to all three brothers. In Leonard Woolf's judgement his poems often began with real inspiration, but the afflatus did not last; the world of prose and intellect broke in and broke it up.

His closest friend, Desmond MacCarthy, understood his poetry best. In his view Bob was far from being of an intense poetic temperament and was not necessarily concerned to express what moved him most. One divined that he regarded poetry as an art, the secret of which, granted an instinctive sense of beauty, could be learned, and that it was not urgency of emotion or the feeling that his emotions were better than other men's which first drew him to poetry, but the inexhaustible delight of form. He published his first poems in 1898. He had a very small audience; for 50 years he was playing to an almost empty hall. He was not a great poet but he had a genius for friendship and many of the most intelligent and sensitive men of his generation loved him.

He managed his life without being disturbed by anything much happening in it. He made one excursion outside western Europe, but even that was no more than an extended picnic with his friends, E. M. Forster and "Goldie" Lowes Dickinson, to India and further east. It was the journey which produced Forster's *A Passage to India* and Dickinson's *Letters from John Chinaman*. At meal times on the journey out Bob would hold forth to the company in general on such topics as the early Greek novelists and Nero's talents as stage manager.

India made a lasting impression on him. Forster recalled his reading the *Oxford Book of English Verse* in Benares to exorcise Hinduism, but the spell did not work. On his return he wrote a verse drama on Krishna and Radha, and the Indian village, its dust and its cows, haunted him until the end of his life. But the Orient was outside his orbit and he was never tempted to sample it again. After they had separated at the end of the Indian visit, he rejoined Dickinson for a visit to China, but promptly left him to go home by train through Siberia, dashing by taxi from one Moscow station to another, in order to be in time to join his friends about to chase each other over the fells at the Trinity lake hunt, an occasion to which he was romantically attached. Forster commented that Dickinson had found Bob a delightful companion, but that he probably gained by being left alone on the threshold of China.

It was an unusually united family, but George and Charles were not so close to Bob as they were to each other. In 1900 there had been a quarrel, when their father had tried to get Bob to do something other than write poetry and Bob had thought that his brothers were ganging up against him. George wrote to him: "We three have all chosen different lines of life, and have very differently constituted minds: there is no use blinking the fact. But we take each other as we find each other, and I see no reason why we should ever quarrel again." I doubt whether they ever did.

George's letters to Bob were lighter in tone and more superficial than his intense outpourings to Charles. In 1911 when Bob was in India, George wrote to him: "Tagore has stopped Yeats being mad on magic and small green elephants and has cleared his mind of much superstition, I am glad to say, and when clear of an impossible quantity of his magic nonsense, Yeats is one of the really splendid people. The excitement in Europe apart from the Balkan war which bids fair to end very well, is to see whether Goldie will like his Chinamen as little as the Webbs. I'm glad you had some good bathes, but don't be eaten by crocodiles. If you suffered the fate of Captain Hook, Mary (his daughter) could never read Peter Pan again and that would destroy her faith in life, or at least in literature." Lowes Dickinson, in the event, was fascinated by the differences between Chinese and Western civilization, as his little book, *Letters from John Chinaman*, shows.

Bob was only once caught up in public affairs. In the first war he took his brother Charles's side and became an acknowledged pacifist. His was a simple view. Germany was fighting for her life against Russia, and so against France too. We were wrong in taking sides with France against Germany, for both were equally guilty, but Russia was the most guilty. In any case, war between civilized people was an insanity. His house became a haven for refugees, conscientious objectors and even deserters. Late in the war he came before a tribunal which recognized his religious and political objections, though he indignantly insisted that his objections were moral, since he belonged to no religious body. He ended the war serving happily as librarian to the Quakers in Paris.

He had a modest income from his father and managed to pay for the publication of his verse, but in his early years he was perennially hard up. He was often ashamed that he had not had to earn his own living, but he was reassured by his brother Charles who was himself promoting international revolution on an unearned income. Some months before their father died, Charles wrote to Bob that he did not believe in the dependence on inherited income in which they had been brought up; but it was senseless and unjust, once Bob had started on that kind of life, not to give him enough to live it comfortably, when there had for a long time been so much to spare. On the death of his parents Bob became relatively well off. Wellcombe, the family's vast mansion at Stratford-on-Avon, now a British Rail hotel, was part of his inheritance. Well off or hard up, he was always generous. When finances allowed, his house on the hill above Dorking became a refuge for lost souls.

He had a good mind, but there was a streak of ridiculousness in him. Leonard Woolf described how in conversation his tongue would suddenly break loose and soar away into an argument or description, slightly absurd, irrelevant, fantastic, not entirely under his control, but extraordinarily funny. He was prone to ridiculous *contretemps*. Woolf recalled his taking a book of poetry out of the pocket of a new suit, kneeling down in front of a gas-fire and burning a large hole in the seat of his trousers. He was untidy in appearance, his hair ruffled, his clothes unpressed and his buttons left undone. His mind was untidy too. He never finished his sentences and though he wrote well in a clear script, he left his manuscripts full of alternative words. He went out most afternoons to write poems or translate in one of his favourite lairs on the hillside. He would lie down, light his pipe and spread out his books. He would generally start with translating, then compose a lyric when inspiration came with the changing light at sunset. He was a real eccentric. He found it embarrassing to have five servants, not from principle, but because he liked shaving in the middle of the morning in the drawing-room while his wife read to him. He shocked the neighbours by bathing in their ornamental pools in the nude.

Some of his friends were inclined to look on his wife Bessie as a rather heavy Dutch woman whom he had married only because she shared his strong pro-Boer feelings during the South African war, but this was unfair on her. Bob was not an easy man to live with. Bessie was an intelligent and warm person, who did her best to support her wayward husband, and his friends wrote to her with real affection. Bob was in his peculiar way devoted to her, but treated her like a decorative doll, though she was hardly decorative. When she was feeling neglected, she busied herself with domestic chores, which made him mad and seek relief with Bernard Berenson in his Italian villa, I Tatti. But she read aloud to him daily and this kept them together.

Bob had a host of friends, who found him full of love, life and laughter and delightfully absurd, and he looked at life through his friends. Each of them became for him a representative of some branch of art or study: painting was Roger Fry, philosophy was Bertrand Russell, music was Donald Tovey with whom he ventured on an opera—alas, a total failure. His friends were a part of him and he expressed his whole personality through them. At Cambridge, like his father and younger brother, he was a member of the "Apostles" and achieved what was then the real distinction of friendship with G. E. Moore, who had an immense influence on that generation of undergraduates. Moore's standards were high: one had to have some unusual quality of mind and character to be accepted in his inner circle, and the ultimate sign of acceptance was an invitation to go on one of Moore's reading parties at Easter. Bob was always asked and Moore had a great affection for him.

He made friends with Bertrand Russell almost as soon as he arrived at Cambridge, and they remained close friends throughout his life, in spite of the great difference between them, Russell with his precise mind and Bob, enthusiastic but woolly. Russell appreciated his imaginative and disarmingly spontaneous nature and his delicious sense of humour. He thought Bob the most bookish person he had ever met. What was in books appeared to him interesting; real life was negligible to him. Like his historian brother he had a deep knowledge of strategy and of the great battles of history—the three brothers and their father used to play a complicated game of historical battles with a large collection of lead soldiers at their home at Wallington—but during the battle of the Marne he would not walk two miles with Russell to get a newspaper, since battles in newspapers were vulgar. Russell's friendship never wavered and his autobiography is full of Bob's letters. Russell borrowed his letters to Bob, but never gave them back. He is believed to have sold them with his other letters to an American university, perhaps by mistake.

After Bob's death Bernard Berenson wrote to Bessie: "Thanks for the photo. What a sage he looks in it, how ripe, how resigned, how complete! Truly a beautiful monument to a life as nobly lived as human nature will permit. Trevy played a great part in our lives for fully 50 years. How often I recall his ways, his almost romantic devotion to literature, his whims, his rages, his tender affectionateness. No other man counted so much and emerges in my recollections as he does. His photograph brings out all that we loved in him and how we did love him!" Nicky Mariano, Berenson's companion for 40 years, described him as "tall, lean, uncouth, with dishevelled grey hair, a long inquisitive nose, corduroy trousers, heavy boots, very poor table manners". But listening to his agreeable voice and his charming laughter, one forgot all about his lack of polish and was completely won over by his spontaneity. Berenson introduced him to Gladys Deacon with whom he fell desperately in love. From then on he became a sort of Cherubino, always infatuated in a schoolboyish manner with some young woman, but usually repulsed because of his uncouth manners. When Vanessa Bell, Duncan Grant and Maynard Keynes were staying at I Tatti, Bob plunged into a pool in the garden to get cool and dried himself by walking up and down in the nude, to the consternation of a lady visitor who said she had found "*une espece de sauvage tout nu qui se promène de long en large comme si c'etait la chose la plus naturelle du monde.*"

Lowes Dickinson caricatured him in *A Modern Symposium* as Coryat the poet, portraying him as speaking "with the hesitation and incoherence which in him I have found so charming. 'I don't know', he began. 'Of course, well, yes, it may all be very bad—at least for some people. But I don't believe it is. For my part I find life extraordinarily good, just as it is, not mine only, I mean, but everybody's. Life itself is the interest, and that interest is perennial, and of all ages and classes, and if you leave it out, you leave out the only thing that counts. That's why ideals are so empty, just because, I mean, they don't exist, and I assure you that often, when I come away from some meeting or from reading some dreadful article on social reform, I feel as if I could embrace everyone and everything I come across, simply for being so good as to exist—the bus drivers, the cabmen, the shop-keepers, the slum landlords, the slum-victims, the prostitutes, the thieves. There they are, anyhow, in their extraordinary setting, floating on the great river of life—and that is why there is nothing so important for the future of the world as poetry—I don't care what it is, so long as it has the essential of all great poetry, and that is to make you feel the worth of things.'" Bob's comment was that he seemed to recognize something of himself in this with a good deal of amusement and pleasure.

Max Beerbohm thought that his own caricature of Bob did, in its absurd way, suggest something of his character—of his unworldliness and his devotion to nature and poetry. "Somehow he reminded me of the scholar gipsy", he wrote. "Even among the books in his fine and beloved library, he seemed to be a man of the woodland; and out among the hills and dales he was yet unmistakeably a bookman. I remember him with deep affection."

Bob was only on the edge of the Bloomsbury group, who did not appreciate his classically inspired verse. He used to send letters in verse to his friends. Arthur Waley retorted: "I shall be arriving on the 6.30. I simply hate your hexameters." Virginia Woolf, who received a Horatian ode, wrote back: "I wish you would sometimes write about Monday and Tuesday." He replied to her with a very modest and sincere letter, thanking her for her criticisms which he thought fair. His letter—was it ever sent?—reveals his doubts about his own writing and the fatal flaws in his approach to it.

"I would indeed like to 'deal with Monday and Tuesday', as you put it, and have tried, both in prose and verse, and failed, and shall no doubt try again. I admire greatly some of your experiments in that direction and quite sympathise with Goldie's enthusiasm in the letter Forster puts into his life. But if I really had that sort of gift, I should probably have shown it before now. You have discovered by long effort and experiment a method of expressing intimate imaginative experiences and feelings and sensations in a very beautiful way. I have so far not succeeded, though I should like to have done so, and shall still try from time to time, encouraged by your letter and your example. As to the story and dialogue I sent you, I more or less deliberately kept the immediate world of things seen and felt out of the dialogues, and to a great extent out of the S. Francis story too. A dialogue, so it seems to me, if it is to come alive at all, must do so chiefly by its intellectual and dialectical interest and any novelistic or even poetic elements are a danger, because they distract the reader from the main purpose and make him expect something that he ought not to look for. I know the colour of Miranda's hair well enough (I am not sure about that of her eyes) but I don't want my reader to be interested in her in that way. What she has to say is all that matters.

"In a novel, of course, all this would be quite different. The question for me is, first, whether I could not write, if not a novel, at least something in which immediate experiences of things are conveyed, and, alternatively, whether I could not discover a narrative method which would deal primarily with ideas and character as expressed through the intellect, and would yet not altogether exclude novelistic or poetic vision. A certain spice of comedy and the quasi-Rabelaisian would, for me at least, make the problem easier to solve; and it is something of this kind that I am trying to get at just now. I have no idea whether I shall succeed; but at any rate your letter will have helped me to think more clearly about what I want to do."

Poor Bob, the cerebral would obtrude.

E. M. Forster remained a close friend after the "passage" to India. Bob inspired him to write in his most entertaining vein. On Alexandria: "The French give lecrures on *Kultur* to the French. The Italians build '*il nostro consulato, nostro consulato nuovo, ricco, grandioso, alto come il nostro ciele che muove l'alte stelle, e tutto vicino al* Terminus Ramleh Tramway." On Henry James: "I am already deep in *The Piddle Years*. I never find Henry James difficult to understand, though it is difficult to throw off the interests of one's larger life and flatten oneself flat flatter flattest—to crawl down his slots. Bring muscle or blood to bear and you stick at once and put down your failure to deficiency of brain." He sent Bob and Bessie "an unpublished thing". They must promise not to say anything to anyone, so that it should not get to places where he could be harmed. It was, of course, *Maurice*. It could not have shocked Bessie who was used to hearing Goldie talk about his own homosexuality.

After Bob's death Forster said of him: "He was so charming, so friendly and unpretentious, so diffident even and so lovable, and in small things so unpractical. He enjoyed being laughed at. But he was also a grown-up human being with a serious interest in society and history, and a constant concern for the future of mankind. He had roots in England, but realized its limitations. He was aware of the glumness and dinginess of England as well as of her integrity, and he also had roots in the Italy of Boccaccio. He was in touch with the sun and the olives and the wine and the warmth of the Mediterranean south. In Tuscany on the slopes of Fiesole and Settignano he made lasting friends."

But Desmond MacCarthy understood him best, not only in his poetry but as a man. MacCarthy wrote of him: "Repeated disappointments at the reception of his books, one after the other, from youth to advanced old age, never soured his outlook on the life of letters, nor diminished his devotion to his art. Although I knew him for half a century, I do not remember divining behind his estimates of contemporaries a trace of jealousy or envy. His feelings were always easy to read, indeed a child could hardly have been a poorer hand at disguising them, and he was as delightfully and comically unaware as a child when he had failed to do so. Being lovable himself, this made him still more lovable. His occasional brief flares of violent temper only lit up the anxious tenderness of his nature, followed quickly, as they always were, by an inevitably gentle contrition."

It is not that Bob wrote no poetry of any value. MacCarthy, whose critical standards were high, found that he could come back to some of Bob's poems with pleasure, even after an interval of some years. I recall in particular a lyric written in Italy which has the authentic flavour of the *Greek Anthology* and a heart-rending poem, quoted by Forster after Bob's death, in which he laments in a mood of disillusionment how all that he had sought in life seemed to be worth nothing:

Knowledge have I loved and wooed,
Yet little won, save doubt alone
If there be knowledge to be known;
Beauty in vain have I pursued
From flower to flower, from mood to mood,
Like a child chasing dragon-flies:
Wisdom have I sought, yet am not wise . . .

But he was a happy man and I doubt whether any mood of depression lasted long. Nor did he allow his classical learning wholly to stifle his poetry. Perhaps, to get the flavour of his child-like mind, one should turn to a short prose piece called *Simple Pleasures*.

"On a station platform or at a level-crossing to stand within a couple of yards of a train passing at full speed: on a still day to hear the plop of a big fish rising to take a fly; cutting the pages of a book with a long ivory paper knife; stroking the soft nostrils of a horse; the smell of unsmoked tobacco, of cedar-wood cigar boxes and spills, of boots and shoes and Harris tweed; walking as far as one can without losing one's balance along one of the rails of a railway line; when lying awake at night, to hear the faint sound of trucks being shunted a long way off; to lie on one's back in the grass or heather looking up into the blue sky; seeing a snake; to hear the street cry of the muffin and crumpet man approaching and receding: to sit on top of a horse-bus, just behind the driver, and watch his skilful driving, and the broad, bare backs of his horses."

How sad it is that the muffin and crumpet man and the horse-bus are no longer with us.

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Friday 5 May 8 p.m.	LONDON MOZART PLAYERS Stanley Pope (cond), Peter Katin (piano). Haydn Symphony No. 85 in B flat (La Reine); Elgar Introduction and Allegro for strings; Mozart Piano Concerto No. 23 in A, K.488; Beethoven Symphony No. 2 in D, Op. 36. £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 Ibbs and Tillett
Saturday 6 May 8 p.m.	DIVERTISSEMENT ROYAL English Bach Festival Dancers & Orchestra. Nicholas Cleobury (cond.) 18th Century Ballet, costumes from original drawings at Paris Opera. Bach Suite No. 2; Rameau Divertissement from La Princesse de Navarre. £3.50, £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 EBFT.
Sunday 7 May 3.15 p.m.	KENT COUNTY YOUTH ORCHESTRA Béla de Csilléry (conductor). Shura Cherkassky (piano). Walton Overture, Scapino; Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto No. 1 in B flat minor, Op. 23; Dohnanyi Symphony No. 2 (first London performance). £2.50, £2.00, £1.60, £1.30, £1.00, 80p Kent County Council
Sunday 7 May 7.30 p.m.	LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Klaus Tennstedt (cond.), Garrick Ohlsson (piano). Mendelssohn Overture, The Hebrides, Op. 26; Mozart Symphony No. 41 in C (Jupiter). Brahms Piano Concerto No. 1 in D minor, Op. 15. £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65, £1.10 LPO Ltd.
Monday 8 May 8 p.m.	RUDOLF SERKIN Piano Recital. Haydn Sonata in E flat, Hob XVI/49; Mozart Rondo in A minor, K.511; Beethoven Sonata in E flat, Op. 81a (Les Adieux); Schubert Sonata in B flat, D.960. £3.50, £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 Ibbs & Tillett
Tuesday 9 May 8 p.m.	LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA James Conlon (conductor), Mayumi Fujikawa (violin). Wagner Overture, The Flying Dutchman; Brahms Violin Concerto in D, Op. 77; Bartok Concerto for Orchestra. £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65, £1.10 LSO Ltd.
Wednesday 10 May 8 p.m.	LONDON MOZART PLAYERS Harry Blech (cond.) Allan Schiller (piano), John Glickman (violin) (Pl. note change) Mozart Ov. Il Seraglio; Piano Concerto No. 24 in C minor, K.491; Serenade in D, K.203; Haydn Symphony No. 100 in G (Military). £3.00, £2.60, £2.20, £1.80, £1.40, £1.00 Haydn-Mozart Society
Thursday 11 May 8 p.m.	LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Claudio Abbado (conductor), Maurizio Pollini (piano), Yvonne Minton (mezzo-soprano). Nono Como una Ola de Fuerza y Luz; Mahler Symphony No. 4. £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65, £1.10 LSO Ltd.
Friday 12 May 8 p.m.	ENGLISH BACH FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA English Bach Festival Chorus. Helmut Rilling (cond.), Arleen Auger (soprano), Ortrun Wenkel (contralto), Heiner Hopfner (tenor), Philippe Huttenlocher (bass). Bach Mass in B minor. £3.85, £3.30, £2.75, £2.20, £1.65 (only) English Bach Fest. Trust

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Today 29 April 7.45 p.m.	CARDIFF POLYPHONIC CHOIR New Symphony Orchestra. Richard Elfyn Jones, *Simon Johnson (conds.). Bruckner Motets; Haydn Te Deum; *Fauré Requiem; Mendelssohn Organ Sonata No. 3; Bach Fugue in G, BWV.577. £2.25, £2.00, £1.75, £1.50, £1.00 John Wright
Sunday 30 April 3 p.m.	THOMAS McINTOSH Piano Recital. Beethoven Waldstein Sonata; Schumann Kinderscenen Op. 15; Novellette No. 8; Ravel Oiseaux Tristes, Une Barque sur l'Ocean; Liszt Sonata in B minor. £1.80, £1.60, £1.20, 80p Musical Productions Ltd.
Sunday 30 April 7.15 p.m.	AUSTRALIAN SINFONIA Geoffrey Simon (cond.), Phyllis Curtin (soprano), Raimund Herincx (bass), Rhondda Gillespie (piano). Bach Ricercare; Kim Williams Forever and a Day (1st perf.); Liszt Malediction; Shostakovich Symphony No. 14. £2.50, £2.20, £1.75, £1.50, £1.00 Australian Sinfonia
Monday 1 May 7.45 p.m.	ALLEGRI-ROBLES ENSEMBLE Weber Clarinet Quintet in B flat, Op. 34; Harp solos; Mozart Flute Quartet in D, K.285; Debussy Sonata for flute, viola and harp; Ravel Introduction and Allegro. £2.50, £2.10, £1.80, £1.40, £1.00 In aid Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund.
Tuesday 2 May 7.45 p.m.	NEW LONDON CONSORT Philip Pickett (dir.), Catherine Bott, John Potter, Paul Hillier (soloists). Oswald von Wolkenstein and his contemporaries. Music in fifteenth century Germany and Austria. £2.00, £1.60, £1.35, 75p Ibbs and Tillett
Wednesday 3 May 7.45 p.m.	ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Raymond Leppard (cond.), A. Murray (m.-sop.). Vivaldi Concerto in G minor; A. Scarlatti Infirmata Vulnerata; Telemann Concerto in B flat; D. Scarlatti Salve Regina; Bach Brandenburg Concerto No. 1. £2.50, £2.00, £1.70, £1.40, £1.00 ECO & MS Ltd.
Thursday 4 May 7.45 p.m.	MALCOLM BINNS Plays 5 pianos dating from 1787 to present day. Prog. inc: Beethoven Sonata in A flat, Op. 110; Mendelssohn 2 Songs without words; Chopin Etudes, Op. 10; Howells Rhapsody; Debussy L'Isle Joyeuse. £2.00, £1.60, £1.25, 75p Ibbs and Tillett
Friday 5 May 7.45 p.m.	LONDON SINFONIETTA Simon Rattle (cond.), J. Williams (guitar), J.-R. Kars (piano). Messiaen Couleurs de la Cité Céleste; Arnold Guitar Concerto; guitar pieces by Brouwer and Barrios; [illegible] Aleph (1st Lond. perf.); Messiaen Oiseaux Exotiques. £2.00, £1.70, £1.40, 95p Sinfonietta Prod. Ltd.
Saturday 6 May 7.45 p.m.	LONDON ORPHEUS CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA James Gaddarn (cond.). K. Hilkins, Y. Label, C. Leatherby, M. Goldthorpe, M. Singer (soloists). Mozart Overture, Marriage of Figaro; Piano Concerto in D minor, K.466; Beethoven Mass in C. £3.80, £2.25, £1.75, £1.50, £1.00 London Orpheus Choir
Sunday 7 May 3 p.m.	CYPRIEN KATSARIS Piano Recital. Schumann Fantasiestücke, Op. 12; Messiaen Regard de l'Eglise d'Amour (No. 20 from "Vingt Regards"); Haydn Sonata No. 35 in C; Liszt Fantasia on Beethoven's "The Ruins of Athens". £1.80, £1.60, £1.20, 80p English Bach Festival Trust
Sunday 7 May 7.15 p.m.	RINALDO Concert performance of Handel's opera: sung in Italian. Carolyn Watkinson, Marilyn Hill Smith, Eiddwen Harrhy, Paul Esswood, Ian Caddy, English Bach Festival Baroque Orchestra, Jean-Claude Malgoire (conductor). £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 EBFT
Monday 8 May 7.45 p.m.	ENGLISH BACH FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA English Bach Festival Singers. Michel Corboz (cond.), J. Smith, R. Hardesty, P. Huttenlocher (soloists). Bach Mass in F; Cantata No. 82; Ich habe genug; Cantata No. 84; Ich bin vergnügt. £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p English Bach Festival Trust
Tuesday 9 May 7.45 p.m.	BYZANTINE CHANT GREEK FOLK AND TERZAKIS English Bach Festival Ensemble. Yannis Ioannidis (cond.), L. Angelopoulos (tenor psaltis). Dimitri Terzakis Nomoi; Liturgia Profana (1st Brit. perf.); Byzantine sacred chant; Greek folk songs. £2.00, £1.75, £1.45, 90p, 60p EBFT
Wednesday 10 May 7.45 p.m.	VIVALDI ANNIVERSARY CONCERT English Bach Festival Baroque Orchestra, English Bach Festival Chorus, M. Corboz (cond.) with J. Smith, A. Bernadin, H. Watts, John Holloway (baroque violin). Vivaldi Gloria (1st modern perf.); Nisi Dominus. "Spring" 4 seasons. £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00, 60p EBFT
Thursday 11 May 7.45 p.m.	LA GRISELDA Concert performance of Vivaldi's opera: sung in Italian (first perf. in modern times). English Bach Festival Orchestra. John Eliot Gardiner (cond.). Soloist inc.: M. Lahane, L. Finnie, A. Rolfe Johnson, O. Wenkel, R. Hardesty. £3.00, £2.50, £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 EBFT
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Monday 1 May 7.30 p.m.	KATHLEEN LIVINGSTONE (soprano), Simon Nichols (piano). Purcell The Blessed Virgin's Expostulation; Mozart Vado, ma dove?; Un moto di gioja; Brahms 4 songs; Strauss 5 songs; Poulenc Fiançailles pour Rire; Rachmaninov 5 Russian songs. £1.00, 75p, 50p Kirckman Concert Soc. Ltd.
Wednesday 3 May 7.30 p.m.	STEPHEN PRESTON (traverse flute), ANTHONY PLEETH (cello), Colin Tilney (harpsichord), Richard Webb (cello). Prog. inc. Barriere Sonata in F, Trio Sonata in D Minor; Leclair Sonata in F minor for flute and continuo. Sonata in G for flute and continuo. £2.00, £1.50, £1.00 Basil Douglas Ltd.
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Television and radio programmes for three days

Today

A Bank Holiday weekend of contrasts. A good helping of middle-to-high-brow culture. The penalty—a blockbuster of rubbish and repeated films on Monday.

5.15 pm London Weekend Being " pinned "—ritualized " going steady "—was a ludicrous feature of American college life. Happy Days makes the most of it.

6.00 pm BBC 2 Planets. The photos of Mars, with its miles-high cliffs, were more dramatic than anything from the Moon. Professor Sagan relives the moment when they were first relayed.

8.30 pm ITV The start tonight of Scorpion Tales, five stories with a sting in the tale. A pity that Trevor Howard, in a much too rare television appearance is yet another controversial policeman.

9.30 pm ITV Opera rarely comes over well on the screen. But tonights' recording of Verdi's Falstaff, like the rest of Southern television's excellent Glyndebourne productions, avoids many of the defects.—P.V.

BBC 1

8.55 Playboard.
9.10 The Oddball Couple.
9.35 The Record Breakers.
10.00 Arlott and Trueman on Cricket.
10.25 Film. Swordsman of Siena, with Stewart Granger, Sylva Koscina, Christine Kaufmann.
11.55 Charlie Chaplin in The Bank.*
12.30 Grandstand. 12.35, Football Focus. 1.00, Boxing. 1.30, 2.05, *Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship.* 2.35, 3.10, 4.30, Show Jumping: Embassy Tankard. 1.55, 2.20, 2.55, 3.35, Racing from Ascot. 3.45, Rugby, Premiership Trophy. *4.40, Final Score.*
5.10 Mickey Mouse Club.
5.30 News.
5.45 Fish.
6.10 Rolf on Saturday.
6.40 Film. Robbery Under Arms, with Peter Finch, Ronald Lewis, David McCullum, Maureen Swanson.
8.15 Val Doonican Music Show.
9.00 Kojak.
9.50 News.
10.00 Match of the Day.
11.00 Saturday Night at the Mill.
11.50 Weather.
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Regional variations (BBC 1): BBC WALES: 9.35-10.00 am, Telifant. **SCOTLAND:** 4.55-5.10 pm, Scoreboard. 5.40-5.45, Scoreboard. *10.00, Sportscene. 10.30-11.00,* Falkirk Folk. **NORTHERN IRELAND:** 5.00-5.10 pm, Scoreboard. 5.40-5.45, Northern Ireland News. *11.50, Irish Cup final: Linfield v* Ballymena limited highlights.

BBC 2

7.40 am, Open University: Marina: 8.05, Biology of Polluted Water; 8.30, Contrasts in Musical Language; 8.55, Chicago's Transport; 9.20, Partial Differential Equations; 9.45, Crashing with Safety: 10.10, Computer *Hardware; 10.35, Made* Without Flaw; 11.00, Tropical Forest; 11.25, Stereochemistry of Addition Reactions; 11.50, Deer Farming; 12.15 pm, The Way of the World; 1.05, The Bauhaus at Weimar; 1.30-1.55, M101/31 Mathematical Experi*ence.*
2.35 Film: The Actress, with Spencer Tracy, Jean Simmons, Anthony Perkins, Teresa Wright.*
4.05 The Money Programme: Homes for Our Money.
4.40 Men of Ideas.
5.25 Arena: Art and Design, *Ralph Steadman.*
6.00 Planets: Mars before viking.
7.00 Open door. Canals, the inland waterways association.
7.30 News.
7.45 Don't Quote Me.
8.15 Network: from BBC South, Saving Chichester Harbour (2).
8.45 Rugby: The Middlesex Sevens and the Welsh Challenge Cup Final, commentaries.
9.35 *The Lively Arts—in Performance:* Erich Leinsdorf conducts Vienna Symphony Orchestra: music by Dvorak, Smetana, Kodaly, Richard Strauss, Johann Strauss.
10.50 M*A*S*H.
11.15 News.
11.20 Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship: The Final (conclusion), highlights.
12.10-1.30 am, *Film: Force of* Evil, with John Garfield.*

London Weekend

8.45 am, Sesame Street.
9.45 Half Our Show.
10.15 The Monkees (r).
10.45 Our Show (part 2).
11.30 Spencer's Pilots.
12.30 pm, World of Sport.
12.35 On the Ball.
1.00 High Diving from Fort Lauderdale, Florida.
1.15 News.
1.20 *The ITV Seven:* 1.30, Beverley; 1.45, Newcastle; 2.00, Beverley; 2.15, Newcastle; 2.30, Beverley. 2.45, Newcastle; 3.00, Beverley.
3.10 News of the World Darts Championship.
3.50 Half-Time Soccer Round-Up.
4.00 Wrestling.
4.50 Results Service.
5.05 News.
5.15 Happy Days.
5.45 The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams, with Dan Haggerty.
6.45 Celebrity Squares.
7.30 An Evening with Dave Evans.
8.30 Scorpion Tales: Easterman, with Trevor Howard, Patrick Allen.
9.30 Falstaff, Opera by Verdi, *with Donald Gramm,* Benjamin Luxon, London Philharmonic Orchestra, Glyndebourne Festival production.
10.05 News.
10.20 Falstaff (part 2).
12.00 The People Show.
12.55 am, Epilogue.
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8.35 am, Weekend. 8.45, Sesame Street. 9.45, London. 10.15, Happy Days. 10.45, London. 11.30, Weekend. 11.40, Code R. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Batman. 5.45, London. 12.00, Southern News. 12.05 am, Stars on Ice. 12.35, Weather. Epilogue.

Granada

9.30 am, Tiswas. 12.30 pm, London. 11.55-1.40 am, Film. Louis Jourdan in Fear No Evil.

HTV

9.05 am, Build Your Own Boat. 9.30, ATV. 12.30 pm-12.00, London. **HTV CYMRU/WALES:** As HTV except: 5.15-5.45 pm, Canolfan.

Westward

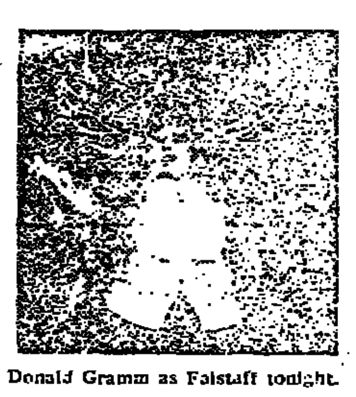
9.00 am, The Lost Islands. 9.25, The Beatles. 9.50, Film: Moon Zero Two, with James Olson. 11.30, Gus Honeybun. 11.35, Island of Adventure. 12.30 pm, London. 12.00, George Hamilton IV. 12.25 am, Faith for Life.

Yorkshire

9.00 am, You Can Make It. 9.25, Adventures of Muhammad Ali. 9.50, Film. Lassie: Peace is Our Profession. 11.30, Funky Phantom. 12.00, Run, Joe, Run. 12.30 pm-12.00, London.

Scottish

9.00 am, Build Your Own Boat. 9.30, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Phyllis. 5.45, London. 12.00, Late Call.



Donald Gramm as Falstaff tonight.

Grampian

9.0 am, Scene on Saturday. 9.25, Skippy. 9.50, Spiderman. 10.15, The Clue Club. 10.45, Island of Adventure. 11.30, Space 1999. 12.30 pm, London. 12.00, Reflections. 12.05-12.35 am, The Many Wives of Patrick.

Anglia

9.10 am, Captain Nemo. 9.30, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 12.00, At the End of the Day.

ATV

9.05 am, Mum's the Word. 9.20, Tiswas. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Six Million Dollar Man. 6.15, Celebrity Squares. 7.00, Oh No! It's Selwyn Froggitt. 7.30-12.00, London.

Border

9.05 am, Build Your Own Boat. 9.30, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 12.00-12.30 am, Life Style, John Lowe.

Ulster

10.00 am, Film: Captain Sindbad, with Guy Williams, Heidi Bruhl, Pedro Armendariz. 11.30, Sesame Street. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Beverley Hillbillies. 5.45-12.00, London.

Tyne Tees

9.10 am, Solo One. 9.50, Film: Pirates of Tripoli, with Paul Henreid, Patricia Medina. 11.30, Run, Joe Run. 12.00, Adventures of Muhammad Ali. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Laverne and Shirley. 5.45, *London. 12.15 am, Epilogue.*

Channel

12.18 pm, Puffin. 12.30, London. 12.00, Weather.

Three day film guide

Should you wish to know what happens to romantic leading men when they hit 30 or thereabouts, *vide The Swordsman of Siena* (this morning, BBC1, 10.25), with Stewart Granger swashbuckling through a 1961 Franco-Italian costume picture directed by Etienne Perier. At 6.40 today, BBC1 has *Robbery Under Arms,* a pretty but flat adventure of banditry in the Victorian Australian outback, directed by Jack Lee. There are better things in store. At 2.35 on BBC2 is George Cukor's *The Actress* (1953) a curious film re-creation of Ruth Gordon's first steps as an actress, based on her autobiographical play *Years Ago.* Nostalgia and period charm compensate for the unlikely casting of an exquisite Jean Simmons as the fierce and sinewy young Gordon. The Midnight Movie (BBC2, 12.10) is *Force of Evil,* the only film directed by lawyer-writer Abraham Polonsky before the McCarthy witchhunts interrupted his career. (*It was 20 years later that he made Tell Them Willie Boy is Here,* recently shown on BBC Television). A taut *and brilliant tragic melo*drama about a young lawyer corrupted by the numbers racket, and with faultless performances by John Garfield and Thomas Gomez, this was one of the big cult movies on which I was reared.

Tomorrow there is *The Magic Box* (BBC1, 1.55), John Boulting's contribution to the Festival of Britain, a much fictionalized passage of the biography of William Friese-Green, who did *not* invent the cinema; and Alexander Mackendrick's lively adaptation of Richard Hughes's *High Wind in Jamaica* (BBC2, 7.15), about a family of children blithely surviving capture by pirates on the high seas.

The usual Monday bank holiday plethora of pictures (the live performers deserve their weekend off after all) begins at 3.40 with *Tales of Beatrix Potter* (BBC2), choreographed by Frederick Ashton to music by John Lanchbery, and danced by a lot of nice animals who have swallowed dancers of the Royal Ballet. *The Blue Max* (BBC1, 8.00) *is a long* (though not as long as it was, by 10 minutes) but efficient First World War adventure about *fliers, directed in 1955 by John* Guillermin and with George Peppard, James Mason and Ursula Andress.

Also on Monday, *Send Me No Flowers* (BBC2, 6.15) is an early Norman Jewison film, and the third comedy teaming of Doris Day and Rock Hudson. The idea of a hypochondriac husband convinced he has only weeks to live is not particularly wittily developed. At 11.10 on BBC2 is *The List of Adrian Messenger.* At the time of its appearance in 1963 this murder mystery, with a shamelessly contrived plot and an all-star cast in campy disguises, was huffily received: but John Huston's films have a way of improving with time.

The vintage musical on Thursday (BBC2, 9.00) is Andrew Stone's *Stormy Weather,* which boasts practically all the huge black talent which was around Hollywood in the 1940s. Fats Waller and Ada Brown give "Ain't Misbehavin'"; Lena Horne sings "Stormy Weather" and "I Can't Give You Anything but Love"; and there are also Cab Calloway's Band, Katharine Dunham's Dancers and the Nicholas Brothers.

David Robinson

Radio

1
5.00 am, News. Tom Edwards.† 8.03, Racing Bulletin. 8.06, Ed Stewart.† 10.00, Adrian Juste—Who? 12.00, Paul Gambaccini. 1.31 pm, Rock On.† 2.30, Alan Freeman.† 5.31, Robbie Vincent.† 6.30, In Concert. Pete Seeger, and Quilapayun.† 7.30, Sports Desk. 7.33, Top Tunes.† 8.02, Gilbert and *Sullivan at Large. South Bank Pops* Concert, part 1.† 8.40, Talk by Peter Pratt. 9.02, Gilbert and Sullivan, part 2. 10.02, BBC Radio Orchestra.† 11.02, Sports Desk. 11.10, Peter Wheeler.† 2.00-2.02 am, News.
† stereo.

2
5.00 am, Radio 1. 10.02, Tony Brandon.† 12.02 pm, Two's Best.† 1.02, Punch Line. 1.30-5.55, Sport, *including: Football; Racing from* Ascot; Show Jumping, Embassy Spring International; Cricket, Pakistan Touring Team v Leicester. *Hampshire v Somerset* and Middlesex v Northamptonshire. 5.00, Sports Report. 6.03, Europe 78. 7.02, Windsor Davies. 7.30-2.02 am, Radio 1.

3
7.55 am, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.05, Mac Cunn, Kennedy-Fraser, Strauss.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Record Review.† 10.15, Stereo Release: Dufay, Handel.† 11.10, Stuart Burrows, song recital.† 12.02 pm, James Galway.†
12.55, News. 1.00, Paintings in Close-up, Canaletto at Warwick Castle. 1.15, Piano recital: Brahms and Schubert.† 2.15, Man of Action, Anthony Kenny.† 3.35, Moniuszko, Strauss, Liszt, Haydn.† 5.00, Jazz Record Requests.† 5.45, Critics' Forum. 6.35, The Classical Guitar.†
7.15, Jean-Pierre Rampal: Bach.† 7.30, Barenboim and the LPO, part 1: Beethoven, Mendelssohn.† 8.05, Personal View by Rosalyn Higgins. *8.25, Concert, part 2: Schubert.†* 9.30, English as she is Broadcast, with Paul Ferris. 10.20, Song Recital: Kilpinen and Dvorak† 10.45, Sounds Interesting.† 11.25, News. 1.30-11.35, Schubert Song.†

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6.30 am, News. 6.32, Farming. 6.50, Yours Faithfully. 6.55, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.10, On Your Farm. 7.40, Today's Papers. 7.45, Yours Faithfully. 7.50, It's A Bargain. 7.55, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.10, Sport on 4. 8.40, Yesterday in *Parliament. 8.55, Political Broad*cast, Labour Party. 9.00, News, 9.05, International Assignment. 9.30, The Week in Westminster. 9.55, News Stand. 10.15, Service. 10.30, Pick of the Week. 11.20, Time for Verse. 11.30, Science Now. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, James Galway. 12.55, Weather.
1.00, News. 1.15, Any Questions? 2.00, War and Peace. 3.00, News. 3.05, Does He Take Sugar? 3.25, Radio 3. 5.00, Kaleidoscope Encore. 5.30, Week Ending. 5.55, Weather.
6.00, News. 6.15, Desert Island Discs. 6.50, Robert Robinson. 7.30, *Christopher Grier, records.* 8.30, Play: Hindle Wakes. 9.58, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.15, On the Town, Rome. 11.00, Meditation. 11.15, News. 12.20-12.23 am, Inshore Forecast.

Sunday

8.05 pm BBC 1 A prime slot for the English National Opera's Carmen, perhaps even more suitable than Falstaff for a general audience.

9.00 pm BBC 2 *Those who choose the opera can—and should—catch up with* The Devil's Crown on Fridays. This 13-part drama series on Kings Henry II, Richard I and John, promises to be a must for the diary.

9.30 pm ITV A strong cast also—John Hurt and Charles Gray—in L. P. Hartley's The Island.

10.15 pm ITV Another coup for The South Bank Show—an interview with Satyajit Ray. No need to persuade anyone who knows his films to watch.

10.55 pm BBC 2 The Lively Arts. And the evening ends well with a repeat of an interview with Jessica Mitford, talking about her improbable life.—P.V.

BBC 1

9.00 am, The Flumps.
9.15 I See What You Mean.
9.40 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan.
10.10 Erica on Embroidery.
10.25 Wordpower.
10.50 Kontakte.
11.15 Overtime.
11.40 On the Move.
11.50 Parents and School.
12.15 pm, Sunday Worship from *Holy Trinity Church,* Roehampton.
1.00 Farming.
1.25 Model World.
1.50 News Headlines.
1.55 Film: The Magic Box, with Robert Donat, Margaret Johnston.
3.40 Show Jumping: Embassy International Stakes.
5.05 The Game of the Century: The Man You Love to Hate.
5.35 News.
5.45 *Lorna Doone.*
6.40 Songs of Praise from the First Omagh Presbyterian Church, Omagh, co Tyrone.
7.15 Parkinson and the Comedians.
8.05 Carmen, opera by Bizet: from the London Coliseum. Acts 1 and 2.
9.40 News.
9.39 Carmen. Acts 3 and 4.
10.55 Read All About It.
11.30 The British Connexion?
11.55 Weather.

Regional variations (BBC 1): BBC WALES.—1.55 pm, Cartoon. 2.05, Man and Boy. 2.30, It Ain't Half Hot Mum. 3.00-5.05, Sports Line-Up. Schweppes W.R.U. Challenge Cup: Newport v Swansea, highlights, and Show Jumping *from Hickstead. 6.40, Yn Y Dech*reuad. 6.50-7.15, Dechrau Canu Dechrau Canmol. 10.55, Addicts All. 11.20, The British Connexion? 11.45, News. **SCOTLAND.**—11.50 am-12.15 pm, Help Yourself to Health.

BBC 2

7.40-8.05 am, Open University: What Is Money? 8.30, M101/30 Mathematical Experience. 8.55, Instrumentation: Numerical Control. 9.20, Computing. 9.45, Elementary Maths. 10.10, Pure Maths. 10.35, A Model of *Punctuality. 11.00, Ford Interview* (2). 11.25, Rodin. 11.50 Computers. 12.15 pm, God said, Let Newton be. 12.40, Students and Revolution. 1.05, Educational Decision-making. 1.30, The Balanced Budget.
1.55 Cricket. Lancashire v Kent.
6.45 News Review.
7.15 Film. A High Wind in Jamaica, with Anthony Quinn, James Coburn.
8.55 News.
9.00 The Devil's Crown, serial *on the Plantagenet Kings,* part 1: If All the World were Mine, with Brian Cox, Jane Lapotaire.
9.55 Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship: A look back.
10.55-12.00, The Lively Arts. Jessica Mitford—the Honourable Rebel.

Channel

2.13 pm, Weather. 2.15, London. 3.15, Film. Sebastian. 5.05, Cartoon. 5.15, London. 11.15, Epilogue. Weather.
(r) repeat

London Weekend

9.05 am, Old House—New Home (r).
9.30 First Act (r).
10.00 Meditation.
10.30 Link.
11.00 Out of Town.
11.30 Happy Days (r).
12.00 Weekend World.
1.00 pm, London Weekend Show: Truancy in Schools.
1.30 Cartoons.
1.45 University Challenge.
2.15 The Big Match.
3.15 Film: Tomorrow at Ten (1964), with John Gregson.*
4.45 *Doctor on the Go* (r).
5.15 Reports Action.
5.45 Come Back Lucy.
6.15 News.
6.25 When the Saints Go Marching In.
6.45 Come Sunday.
7.15 Film: MacKenna's Gold (1969), with Gregory Peck, *Telly Savalas, Omar Sharif,* Eli Wallach, Edward G. Robinson.
9.30 Play: The Island.
10.00 News.
10.15 The South Bank Show, with Satyajit Ray, John Williams, Ralph McTell.
11.15 The London Programme: Clubs—The North comes South.
11.45 Executive Suite.
12.40 am, Epilogue.
* Black and white.

ATV

9.05 am, How to Stay Alive. 9.30, Ceremonies of the Tower of London. 10.00, London. 11.00, Old *House, New Home* (r). *11.25,* Captain Nemo. 11.30, Horses in our Blood (r). 12.00, Weekend World. 1.00 pm, Space 1999 (r). 2.00, Star *Soccer. 3.00, Film: A Patch of* Blue, with Sidney Poitier, Shelley Winters. 5.15, London. 11.15-12.40 am, Rich Man, Poor Man.

Southern

9.05 am, London. 11.00, How to *Stay Alive. 11.27, Weather.* 11.30, Farm Progress. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Cartoon. 1.15, Clue Club. 1.45, Westway. 2.15, Southsport Soccer and the Big Match. 3.15, The Bionic Woman. 5.10, Southern News. 5.15, London. 11.15, Power Without Glory. 12.15 am, Weather. Epilogue.

Scottish

9.05 am, London. 10.00, Choirs of the World, Kantaten of Athens. 10.30, Link. 11.00, Southern. 11.25, Cartoon. 11.30, Drive In. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Challenge of the Sexes. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Happy Days. 2.30, Space 1999. 3.30, Glen Michael Cavalcade. 4.15, Scotsport. 5.15, London. 11.15, Late Call. *11.20-12.20 am, The Sweeney (r).*

HTV

9.00 am, Sesame Street. 10.00, *London. 11.00, Southern.* 11.30, ATV. 1.00 pm, Studio Bowls. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Cartoons. 2.15, London. 3.15, Film: The Flim Flam Man, with George C. Scott, Sue Lyon, Michael Sarrazine. 5.15, London. 11.15-12.10 am, Within these Walls. **HTV CYMRU/WALES:** As HTV except: 5.15-5.45 pm, Can y Teulu.

Westward

9.30 am, Horses in Our Blood. 10.00, London. 11.00, Southern. 11.30, Old House, New Home. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Cartoon. 1.15, Battleground. 1.45, Farm and country News. 2.15, London. 3.15, Film: Sebastion. 3.05, Cartoon. 5.15, London. 11.15, Film: Take *My Life, with Hugh Williams,* Greta Gynt, Marius Goring.* 12.45 am, faith for Life.

Anglia

9.05 am, London. 9.30, Build Your Own Boat. 10.00, London. 11.00, Southern. 11.30, The Beachcombers (r). 12.00, ATV 1.00 pm, Landscape. 1.30, Weather. 1.35, Farming. 2.05, Match of the Week. 3.05, *Cartoon. 3.15, The Little* House on the Prairie. 4.15, Allen Stewart Show. 5.15, London. 11.15, Within these Walls. 12.15 am, The Bible for today.

Ulster

10.30 am, Link. 11.00, Southern. 11.30, Build Your Own Boat. 12.00, ATV. 1.25 pm, Landscape. 1.30, Big Blue Marble. 1.45, Garnock Way. 2.15, London. 3.15, Hatoc. 3.45, Film, Virgin Island, with John Cassavetes, Virginia Maskell, Sidney Poitier. 5.15, Sunday Insight. 5.45, London. 11.15, Sports Results. 11.20-12.05 am, Gibbsville.

Border

9.05 am, London. 11.00, Southern. 11.25, Cartoon. 11.30, Drive-In. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, *Inner Space.* 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Border Diary.* 2.05, Cartoon. 2.15, London. 3.15, Film: Paris When it Sizzles, with *William Holden,* Audrey Hepburn. 5.15, London. 11.15-12.15 am, The Outsiders.

Tyne Tees

9.55 am, London. 11.00, Southern. 11.25, Where the Jobs Are. 11.30, Horses in Our Blood. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Cartoon. 1.15, Impact. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Sporting Chance. 2.30, Shoot! 3.30, Film, Some Girls Do, with Richard Johnson. Daliah Lavi. 5.15, London. 10.05, News. 11.15, Concert. 12.15 am, Epilogue.

Granada

9.30 am, Old House, New Home. 10.00, London. 11.00, Horses in our *Blood.* 11.25, *Cartoon.* 11.30, Our of Work. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Survival. 1.30, Out of Town. 2.00, Kick Off Match. 3.05, Film: 5.15, London. 11.15, Police Woman. 12.10-12.45 am, George Hamilton IV.

Yorkshire

9.00 am, Old House, New Home. 9.25, Horses in Our Blood. 9.50, Oscar. 10.00, London. 11.00, Landscape. 11.30, Farming. 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Calendar Sunday. 1.25, Cartoon. 1.35, Emmerdale Farm. 2.30, Football Special. 3.30, *Film: Top Secret, with George* Cole.* 5.15, London. 11.15-12.15 am, Power Without Glory.

Grampian

10.15 am, Link. 10.45, Morning Worship. 11.00, Southern. 11.30, *Build Your Own Boat.* 12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Weatherwise. 1.30, Farming. 2.00, Film: Red River, with John Wayne, Montgomery Clift, Joanne Dru. 4.15, Scotsport. 5.15, London. 11.15, Reflections. 11.20-12.15 am, Police Woman.

Radio

1
6.30 am, News. Sam Costa.† 8.00, Playground. 8.22, Ed Stewart.† 10.00, Peter Powell. 1.00 pm, Jimmy Savile. 3.00, Anne Nightingale. 5.30, Quiz Kid. 6.00, Simon Bates.† 7.00, Robin Richmond.† 7.30, Glamorous Nights.† 8.30, Sunday Half-hour.† 9.02, Best Tunes.† 10.02, Jazz.† 12.00, News. 12.05 am, Peter Wheeler.† 2.00, News.
† Stereo.

2
6.30 am, Radio 1. 8.03, Sing Together.† 8.30, Radio 1. 10.02, Benny Green.† 11.30, Service. 12.02 pm, Family *Favourites.*† 1.30, Sacha Distel.† 3.02, David Jacobs.† 4.30, Charlie Chester.† 5.50, Move On. 6.30, Radio 1. 7.02, Sunday *Sport. 7.30, Radio 1. 10.02, Windsor* Davies. 10.30, Punch Line. 11.02, Sports Desk. 11.05, Softly Sentimental. 12.00-2.02 am, Radio 1.

3
7.55 am, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.05, Horowitz: Schumann, Tchaikovsky.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Your Concert Choice: Corelli, Dittersdorf, Egk, Tchaikovsky.† 10.30, Music Weekly.† 11.20, From the *Proms 77, part 1: Mozart,* Schoenberg.† 12.00, Words by A. S. Byatt. 12.05 pm, From the Proms, part 2: Schoenberg.† 12.25, Reading. *12.30. From the Proms, part 3:* Stravinsky.
1.20, Let the Peoples Sing.† 1.50, Talking About Music.† 2.20, Haydn's Op. 71 Quartets.† 3.15, Der Vampyr, opera by Marschner. Act 1.† 4.25, Reading. 4.35, Der Vampyr, Act 2. 5.55, Living in the *Desert. Michael Evenari in conver*sation with Patrick Morris.
6.40, Music in our Time: Davies, Shipley, Druce.† 7.35, Published in *1799,* quartets by Boccherini, Haydn.† 8.25, Fiction, Fact and France, part 3: The World of Childhood (II). 9.00, Song recital: *Sibelius.† 10.05, Play, Spanish Fly,* by Tom Mallin.† 11.25, News. 11.30-11.35, Schubert Song.†

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7.15 am, Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye. 7.45, Bells. 7.50, Reading. 7.55, Weather. 8.00, News. 8.10, Sunday Papers. 8.15, Sunday. 8.50, Appeal, British Library of Tape Recordings for Hospital Patients. 8.55, Weather. 9.00, News. 9.10, Sunday Papers. 9.15, Letter from America. *9.30, Service from Albion United* Reformed Church, Aston-under-Lyne, Lancashire. 10.15, Listeners' Letters. 10.30, Money Box. 11.00, *The Hitch-Hikers' Guide to the* Galaxy. 11.30, One Man, One Voice: 021-432 5432. 12.15 pm, Not Now, I'm Listening. 12.55, Weather.
1.00, News. 1.40, Two of a Kind. Percy Edwards and Johnny Morris. 2.00, Gardeners' Question Time. 2.30, Play: *Willoughby's Phoney* War. 4.00, News. 4.02, A Bag of Secrets. 4.30, The Living World. The Bat. 5.00, In Touch. 5.15, With Great Pleasure. Jo Grimond, MP. 5.55, Weather.
6.00, News. 6.15, The Archers. 7.15, This Way to Shangri-La. Getting away from it all to the West of Wales. 8.00, Concert: Elgar, Sibelius. 9.00, News. 9.03, The Heart of Midlothian, by Sir *Walter Scott, part 1.* 9.58, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.15, Key Figures, Countess Cathleen. 11.00, Epilogue. 11.15, News. 12.20-12.23 am, Inshore Forecast.

Monday

Pay bills, dance round May poles, read special supplements on Ecuador, do anything rather than turn on the box today.

12.35 pm BBC 1 In desperation it's worth seeing again The Life of a Lake, a visit to Windermere in Spring.

6.45 pm In spite of its amateurishness Whodunnit? can sometimes be quite compelling.

8.00 pm ITV But the best offering on the other side is the climax of Dave Allens' low key tour of America: the Okefenokee swamps of Georgia.

10.35 pm BBC 1 The only real glimmer of hope is David Jessel reporting on the French riots of 1968—Days of Revolution—10 years later.—P.V.

BBC 1

6.40 am, Open University: Perceptual Demonstration; 7.05, Personality and Learning; —7.30-7.55, Computers—Algorithms.
9.30 *Camberwick Green.*
9.45 Boss Cat.
10.10 The Postman, story from Czechoslovakia.
10.30 Sinbad the Sailor, cartoon.
10.45 You and Me.
11.00 Film, Tin Tin and the Golden Treasure.
12.35 pm, The Life of a Lake: Windermere in Spring.
1.30 Bank Holiday Grandstand: 1.35, 2.10, 2.45, Racing from Haydock: 1.50, 2.25, 3.00, Motor Sport, Texaco *Rallysprint:* 2.25, 3.30, Weightlifting, Great Britain v China: 4.00, Show Jumping, Embassy International Grand Prix.
4.45 Final Score.
5.05 News.
5.20 Billy Smart's Children's Circus.
[illegible].15 Bruce's Choice.
[illegible]15 Little and Large.
[illegible]00 Film, The Blue Max, with George Peppard, James *Mason.* Ursula Andress.
[illegible]25 News.
[illegible].35 Days of Revolution, Paris—the Spring of 1968.
[illegible]25 Terry Dan, Tarry Dan, Scarey Old Spooky Man, ghost story.
12.15 am, Weather.

BBC 2

6.40 am, Open University: The Coal Face; 7.05, The Energy Crisis; 7.30-7.55, Filament Organization in Muscles; 9.00, Biology of Polluted Water; *9.25, Maths; 9.50*-10.15, Marina.
11.00-11.25, Play School.
3.40 pm, Film: Tales of Beatrix Potter, with dancers of the Royal Ballet.
5.10 Open Door: Hervert Street Youth Club presents No Room at the Club.
5.40 Cold Water Challenge, water ski-ing in Britain.
6.10 News Headlines.
6.15 Film: Send Me No Flowers, with Rock Hudson, Doris *Day, Tony Randall.*
7.50 Tiger, Tiger.
8.00 The Much Loved Music Show. Owain Arwel Hughes with music by Bizet, Borodin, Elgar, Fauré, Handel, Massenet, Mozart, Puccini, Wagner.
9.00 News.
9.05 Pickersgill People: Bookers.
10.00 M*A*S*H.
10.25 Billy Connolly in Concert, with High Speed Grass.
11.10-12.45 am, Film: The List of Adrian Messenger, with George C. Scott, Dana Wynter.*

BBC 2 SCOTLAND ONLY
7.50-8.00 pm, Political Broadcast, Scottish National Party.
* Black and white.

Thames

9.30 am, Inner Space (r).
10.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch.
10.10 Stepping Stones (r).
10.25 Clapperboard.
11.00 Film: Marco, with Desi Arnaz Jnr, Jack Weston, Zero Mostel.
1.00 pm, Drive-In.
1.30 News.
1.35 Professional Wrestling.
2.20 The ITV Seven: 2.30 Doncaster. 2.45 Windsor. 3.00 Doncaster. 3.15 Windsor. 3.30 Doncaster. 3.45 Windsor. 4.00 Doncaster.
4.15 The Feathered Serpent.
4.45 Film: The Games, with Michael Crawford, Stanley Baker, Ryan O'Neal, Charles Aznavour.
5.45 News.
6.00 The Games (continued).
6.45 Whodunnit?
7.30 Coronation Street.
8.00 Dave Allen: In the Enchanted Garden.
9.00 News.
9.15 Film: Once Upon a Time in the West, with Henry Fonda, Claudia Cardinale, Jason Robards, Charles Bronson.
12.15 am, Epilogue.
(r) Repeat.

ATV

10.00 am, Thames. 11.00, The Remarkable Rocket, cartoon. 11.25, Film: Journey to the Far Side of the Sun, with Ian Hendry, Roy Thinnes, Patrick Wymark. *1.00 pm, Gardening.* 1.30, Thames. 4.45, Space 1999. 5.45, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.45, Thames. 12.15-12.30 am, Something Different.

Southern

10.00 am, Thames. 1.00 pm, Mr and Mrs. 1.30, Thames. 12.15 am, Weather. *Survival in Belfast.*

Granada

9.30 am, The Flintstones. 10.00, *Thames. 11.00,* Cartoon. *11.05,* Stars on Ice. 11.30, Film: The Glass Bottom Boat, with Doris Day. 1.30 pm, Thames. 4.45, Film: A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, with Phil Silvers. Buster Keaton. 5.45, News. 6.00, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, continued. 6.45-12.25 am, *Thames.*

Grampian

9.55 am, First Thing. 10.00, Thames. 4.45, Film: The Bridal Path, with Bill Travers, George Cole, Gordon Jackson. 5.45, News. 6.00, Film, part 2. 6.35, Political broadcast, Scottish National Party. 6.45, Thames. 12.20 am, Reflections.



Potter pig—BBC 2 3.40.

Regional variations (BBC 1): BBC WALES: 9.30-9.45 am, Pili Pala. 5.15-5.20 pm, Wales Today. 11.25-11.55, Twndish. **SCOTLAND:** 5.15-5.20 pm, News. 5.20, Billy Smart's Children's Circus. 6.05-6.15, Political Broadcast, Scottish National Party. **NORTHERN IRELAND:** 5.15-5.20 pm, Northern Ireland News.

HTV

10.00 am, Thames. 11.00, Batman. 1.00 pm, The Beachcombers. 1.30, *Thames. 4.45, Film. The Drum,* with Sabu, Raymond Massey, Roger Livesey, Valerie Hobson. 5.45, News. 6.00, The Drum, continued. 6.45-12.15 am, Thames.

Scottish

10.00 am, Thames. 1.00 pm, Gardening. 1.30, *Thames.* 4.45, The Six Million Dollar Man. 5.45, News. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.35, Political Broadcast, Scottish National Party. 6.45, Thames. 12.15 am, Late Call.

Channel

1.20 pm, Channel News. 1.35, Thames. 12.15 am, News. Channel Gazette.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Secret Pony. 10.00, Thames. 11.00, Film: The Trouble with Angels, with Rosalind Russell, Hayley Mills, June Harding. 1.00 pm, Funky Phantom. 1.30, Thames. 4.45, Film: Valley of Mystery, with Richard Egan, Peter Graves, Lois Nettleton, Julie Adams. 5.45, News. 6.00, Valley of *Mystery (part 2). 6.45-12.15 am,* Thames.

Westward

9.35 am, Skippy. 10.00, Thames. 11.00, Gus Honeybun. 11.05, Survival, Eagle Come Home. 12.00, Space 1999. *1.00 pm, Drive-in.* 1.27, Westward News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 12.15 am, Faith for Life.

Ulster

10.00 am, Thames. 11.00, *Cartoon.* 11.15, Film. The Thief of Baghdad, with Conrad Veidt, *Sabu,* June Duprez, John Austin, Rex Ingram, Miles Malleson, Mary Morris. 1.00 pm, Thames. 4.45, Survival Special. 5.45, News. 6.00, Ulster Television News. 6.05, The *Partners. 6.30, Cartoons. 6.45,* Thames. 12.15 am, Talk.

Anglia

9.30 am, Woody Woodpecker. 10.00, Thames. 1.00 pm, Stars on Ice. 1.30, Thames. 4.45, Cartoon. 4.50, Film: The Lone Ranger, with Clayton Moore. 5.45, News. 6.00, The Lone Ranger, continued. 6.45, Thames. 12.15 am, Reflection.

Tyne Tees

9.25 am, The Good Word. 9.30, The Secret Pony. 10.00, Thames. 11.00, Film. The Trouble with Angels, with Rosalind Russell, Hayley Mills. 1.00 pm, Stars on Ice. *1.30 pm,* Thames. 4.45, Film. Valley of Mystery, with Richard Egan. 5.45, News. 6.00, Valley of Mystery, Part 2. 6.45, Thames. 12.15 am, Epilogue.

Border

10.00 am, Thames. 1.00 pm, Stars on Ice. 1.30, Thames. 4.45, Film: The Bridal Path, with Bill Travers, George Cole. 5.45, *News. 6.00,* The Bridal Path, part 2. 6.35, Political broadcast, Scottish National Party, 6.45-12.15 am, Thames.

Radio

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5.00 am, News. Ray Moore.† 8.03, Racing Bulletin. 8.05, Ed Stewart.† 10.00, Paul Burnett. 12.00, Dave Lee Travis. 1.31 pm, DJ Heroes. 2.31, Tony Blackburn. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 7.30, Alan Dell. 9.02, Humphrey Lyttelton.† 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00, News. 12.05 am, Brian Matthew. 2.00, News.
† Stereo

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5.00 am, Radio 1. 10.02, Pete Murray.† 12.02 pm, Vera Lynn.† 1.02, Morecambe and Wise.† 1.30, David Hamilton.† *4.30, John Dunn.*† 6.45, Sports Desk. 7.02, BBC Northern Radio Orchestra.† 7.30, Radio 1. 10.00, Movie Quiz. 10.30, Star Sound. 11.02, Sports Desk. 11.05, Brian Matthew. 2.00-2.02 am, News.

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6.55 am, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.05, Haydn, Mozart, Britten.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Tchaikovsky, Grieg.† 8.55, Rural Rhymes. 9.00, News. 9.05, Stravinsky and *the Ballet.*† 10.00, Suk Trio, part 1: Beethoven, Ravel.† 10.55, In Short. 11.05, Suk Trio, part 2: Dvorak.† 11.40, Talking About Music.† 12.10, Concert, part 1: Mozart.†
1.00 pm, News. 1.05, Concert, part 2: Vaughan Williams.† 1.50, Music for Organ: Buxtehude, de Grigny, *Bach.† 2.25, Sandra Browne (song* recital): Fauré, Brahms.† 3.10, Stan Tracey Octet.† 4.10, New Records: J. C. Bach, Gabrieli, Stravinsky, Beethoven.† 5.15, Bandstand.† 5.45, Harpsichord recital; Handel and Purcell.† 6.30, Better than the Stars, portrait of Frank Ramsey.
7.30, Ashkenazy Conducts, part 1: Weber, Sibelius.† 8.05, Translating Eugene Onegin, talk by Sir Charles Johnston. 8.25, Ashkenazy, part 2: Tchaikovsky.† 9.15, Memories of Sigmund Freud, interview with Eva Rosenfeld. 9.40, Music for Spring by Purcell, Carissimi, Bach.† 10.45, Ibert, wind music.† 10.55, Jazz in Britain, Maranatha.† 11.25, News. 11.30-11.35, Schubert Song.

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6.35 am, Up to the Hour. 7.00, News. 7.10, Today. 7.35, *Up to the* Hour. 8.00, News. 8.10, Today. 8.45, Ray Gosling 9.00, News. 9.05, Richard Baker. 10.00, News. 10.05, Wildlife. 10.30, Service. 10.45, David Jacobs Goes A-Maying. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, Hoping This Finds You. 12.27, Brain of Britain (10). 12.55, Weather.
1.00, News. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play: Hobson's Choice. 4.35, Story: Adventures of Gerard, by *Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, part 1.* 5.00, PM Reports. 5.35, Political broadcast, Liberal Party. 5.40, Down the Garden Path. 5.55, Weather. 6.00, News. 6.30, Hinge and Bracket. 7.00, News. 7.05, The Archers. 7.20, From Our Own Correspondent. 7.45, Play: Daughters of Men. 9.15, A Sideways Look at Women. 9.30, Kaleidoscope. My Day in Oxford. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.30, Profile. 11.00, A Book at Bedtime: Brighton Rock. 11.15, The improbable world of the Practical Joke. 12.00, News. 12.20-12.23 am, Inshore forecast.

Records of the month

Rediscovered musical treasures

Gluck: Orfeo ed Euridice. Ferrier, Koeman / Duval / Netherlands Opera Bruck. HMV RLS 725, £6.25
Musical Treasures from Jaromerice Castle. Soloists / Prague Chamber Soloists / Hlaváček. Supraphon 1 12 1921-2, £3.98)
J. C. Bach: 6 Favourite Overtures. Academy of Ancient Music / Hogwood. L'Oiseau-Lyre DSLO 525, £3.99
J. S., W. F. and C. P. E. Bach: Music for flutes. Preston, McGegan/Pleeth, Hogwood, Ryan. L'Oiseau-Lyre DSLO 518, £3.99
Vivaldi: Concertos for wind and strings. Soloists/Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields / Marriner. Argo ZRG 840, £3.99
Haydn: Symphonies Nos 94 and 96. Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields / Marriner. Philips 9500 348, £3.99

It is anyone's guess how many superb performances of the past languish in the archives of the world's radio stations. The "new" Kathleen Ferrier *Orfeo* is a notable find. Orpheus, of course, was always one of her great roles, indeed the role she sang on her final appearance in public, at Covent Garden in 1953, a few months before her death.

Ferrier sang Orpheus at Glyndebourne in 1947, and recorded a shortened version of the opera then. She sang it again at the Holland Festival, under Monteux, two years later, and it was a further two years on, at a revival under Charles Bruck, that a performance was broadcast and the tapes made which serve for the present recording.

It would be foolish to pretend that, apart from Ferrier's contribution and the capable direction of Bruck, the performance is anything but third-rate. The Amor is disagreeably shrill, the Eurydice ordinary; the orchestral intonation is indifferent, and the chorus in the Elysian Fields were clearly too occupied by bliss, or too dazzled by the light, to notice what the conductor was doing or when he was doing it.

But Ferrier's beautiful and impassioned singing makes the rest seem insignificant. In the *strofe* after the opening chorus, thrice repeated with growing intensity, her purity of line and finely moulded phrasing are to be heard; in the second act come her poignant pleas to the Furies, and a wonderfully, radiantly calm "Che puro ciel"; and the whole is crowned in Act III by a powerful, passionate reading of "Che farò", free and declamatory, essentially the climax of a live performance. Indeed Ferrier's voice, in its full richness, comes through the ancient and low-fi recording in a way that nothing else does. Existing records of her tend to support the view that she was an undramatic singer; this however, shows that at an actual performance her deep involvement draws from her an impersonation as warm and intense as could be asked for. Klaus A. Posthuma, who rediscovered the tapes, and EMI, deserve our gratitude.

The Supraphon album also contains rediscovered treasures, but of a different sort. Jaromerice Castle, near Brno in Moravia, was a musical centre in the early eighteenth century; under the Count of Questenberg, a lively musical establishment existed there, directed by F. V. Míča, with international musical connexions. One of these two discs is given over to music by Míča himself, mainly excerpts from cantatas and operas—accomplished and attractive, sometimes a shade pedestrian, in style early *galant*. The other record has pieces for lute, for harpsichord, for chamber ensemble, and a useful selection of operatic movements by such leading figures of the time as Hasse, Vinci and Leo. The instrumental playing is good, the singing often a little strenuous-sounding to Western ears.

L'Oiseau-Lyre have lately been giving attention to Bach's sons in their Florilegium series. The London Bach, Johann Christian, is represented by a set of six overtures, all composed in a light and lively Italianate style for opera-house use; here they are briskly played by Christopher Hogwood's Academy of Ancient Music, and they come up in spruce fashion on these authentic instruments. On the other Bach family record, music by Johann Christian's two half-brothers and his father is gracefully done with eighteenth-century flutes, whose tender and liquid tones explain why this was regarded as the most expressive of instruments at that date. In J. S. Bach's G major trio sonata the lines flows sweetly and smoothly, and in a trio by C.P.E. the character of the bold writing and the inward expression is well caught; the wayward melancholy of W. F. Bach is well captured too.

Lastly, two new records from the St Martin's Academy. The Vivaldi one may have little of that composer's best music, most of which is to be found in his published sets of string concertos. There is plenty of ingenious music here, however—in the adaptations to the limitations of two horns of Vivaldian passage-work, in the perkily brilliant writing for piccolo (perhaps more properly a high recorder), and particularly in the kaleidoscopically varied combinations of instruments in the concerto for violin, oboes, bassoon and horns. The strongest work on the disc, however, is the D minor concerto for two oboes. Admirable performances all round, cleanly played on modern instruments, with light textures and springy rhythms. The same epithets may serve for the textures and rhythms on their Haydn disc; these are beautifully poised readings, distinguished by sweet string tone, fine woodwind solos and sensitive phrasing all round.

Stanley Sadie



Kathleen Ferrier as Orfeo

For the piano

Beethoven: Piano Sonata in B flat, Op 106 (Hammerklavier). Maurizio Pollini. DG 2530 869, £4.35. ☐ 3300 869, £4.50.
Beethoven: Piano Sonatas in A major, Op 101, and C minor, Op 111. Maurizio Pollini. DG 2530 870, £4.35. ☐ 3300 870, £4.50.
Debussy: Piano Works, Volume I. Pascal Rogé. Decca SXL 6855, £3.99. ☐ KSCX 6855, £3.99.
Saint-Saëns: Piano Concerto No 5 in F, Op 103 (Egyptian) D'Indy: Symphony on a French mountain song, Op 25 Aldo Ciccolini/Orchestre de Paris/Serge Baudo EMI ASD 3480, £3.99. ☐ TC-ASD 3480, £4.25.
Falla: Nights in the Gardens of Spain/Concerto (harpsichord and piano versions) Joaquin Achucarro/LSO/Eduardo Mata RCA RL 31329, £3.99.
Brahms: Piano Concertos in D minor, Op 15, and B flat, Op 83 Emil Gilels/Berlin PO Eugen Jochum DG Privilege 2726 082, £5.18. (Two records.)
Bartok: Piano Concertos Nos 2 and 3 Géza Anda/Berlin Radio SO/Ferenc Fricsay DG Privilege 2535 262, £2.59.
Bartok: Violin Concerto No 2 Kyung-Wha Chung/LPO/Georg Solti Decca SXL 6802, £3.99. ☐ KSXC 6802, £3.99.

Pollini's three-disc box of Beethoven's last five piano sonatas came first in the solo instrumental class of *The Gramophone*'s recently instituted annual award scheme. Op 109 and Op 110 had already been issued as a separate coupling in May, 1976. Now Op 101 and Op 111 can also be bought as a single disc, likewise the *Hammerklavier* in solitary splendour.

At all times Pollini offers the truth and nothing but the truth. The playing has a superhuman emotional as well as technical control. No special pleading ever obtrudes. Nothing is finer than the *Hammerklavier*. I still think Brendel's Adagio is the more spiritual of the two. But not even he can match Pollini's sustained thrust and strong dynamic contrasts in the other movements. The DG sound is also more vibrant than Brendel's Philips recording. In Op 101 and Op 111 it is not difficult to find rivals more willing to wear their hearts on their sleeves. Yet even if not Germanically "soulful" in the finale of Op 111 Pollini still seems to reach out to the stars, while his perfectly proportioned first movement is as arresting as any available. In Op 101, the least subjective of the five late sonatas, his performance is a model of classically contained eloquence.

Pascal Rogé, newest of the younger French to take up Debussy's cause, travels in his volume I from this composer's earliest piano piece, the *Danse bohémienne* (1880) through such rareties as the *Mazurka* and irresistible *Rêverie* (circa 1890-1) to the suite, *Estampes* (1903). Like other young men (including our own Howard Shelley) he is perhaps unnecessarily robust in *Pour le piano*. But for the most part there is nothing but pleasure in his unsentimental sentiment in rubato and phrasing in the early miniatures, his response to tonal subtleties in *Estampes*, where Debussy first found his own true voice, and his fluency of finger at all times. The recorded tone is riper than often heard in Debussy, but always round and warm.

On the concerto front France is represented by two exotica played with stylish ease by Ciccolini. Saint-Saëns's "Egyptian" concerto is a reissue from his 1971 set of this composer's concertos complete, but on the strength of its betwitching Nile-inspired Andante alone it makes an eminently saleable coupling for d'Indy's less familiar *Symphony on a French Mountain Song*, where the piano has a still brilliant but rather more concertante-like rôle. Except perhaps in the spirited finale, fresh mountain air easily gets clotted by over luscious, Wagner-influenced orchestration. But the immediacy of the playing under Baudo helps to make the disc a desirable off-beat acquisition.

Falla was more successful in freeing musical Spain from Germany. The special interest of Joaquin Achucarro's new record is the inclusion of the late harpsichord concerto both as originally written and in a version for piano. I find it infinitely more piquant with harpsichord, both in sonority *per se* and in the slightly faster tempi dictated by this instrument, even if it does underline the strength of Stravinsky's influence on Falla at this time. Achucarro plays with crisply rhythmical fingers, and in the romantic *Nights in the Gardens of Spain* he and his colleagues discover the music's intensity no less than its languor in an uncommonly positive performance, vividly recorded.

No-one should overlook DG's bargain re-issue of Brahms's two piano concertos, in a double-pack "Privilege" folder, from Gilels. You have only to look at his picture on the sleeve to realize that he was made for burly Brahms. Though sometimes questionably elastic in tempo in both first movements, his playing has marvellous strength, breadth and fullness of heart—besides outstanding delicacy of perception in slow movements. Nor is it possible to overpraise the generosity of the Berlin Philharmonic's contribution under Jochum, opulently reproduced by the engineers.

The single "Privilege" reissue of Bartok's second and third concertos from Géza Anda is somewhat less of a privilege. Dating from 1960, the recording lacks three-dimensional clarity, with the keyboard itself questionably forward and plummy in sound; Anda plays with all his customary emphatic ardour, but his responses are scarcely as acute as that of younger Hungarians, such as Zoltán Kocsis, whether in pulsing vigour or in subtler inflections of phrasing—as in the opening of the second concerto's slow movement. Nevertheless much better this bargain coupling than remaining in ignorance of these two rich works.

Bartok's second violin concerto from Kyung-Wha Chung comes last only because she is the odd-one-out in a keyboard review. With the composer's highly charged compatriot, Solti, and the LPO she gives a characteristically committed and intense reading of this twentieth century masterpiece, surprisingly not recorded by any of the younger generation since Perlman did it with Previn in 1974. Comparison with that fine performance suggests that if Perlman wins in natural tonal body, Kyung-Wha Chung just has the edge over him in temperament. Her phrasing is outstandingly eloquent and beautiful in the ethereal slow movement.

Joan Chissell

Steps and chasms

Stravinsky: The Rite of Spring. Berlin PO/Karajan. DG 2530 884, £4.35 ☐ 3300 884, £4.50.
Sibelius: Symphony No 5: En saga. Berlin PO/Karajan. EMI ASD 3409, £3.99 ☐ TC-ASD 3409, £4.25.
Bruckner: Symphony No 7: Wagner: Siegfried Idyll. Berlin PO/Karajan. DG 2707 102, £3.70 ☐ 3370 023, £9.
Mahler: Symphony No 3. Marjorie Thomas, Tölz Boys' Choir, Bavarian Radio Women's Chorus and SO/Kubelik. DG Privilege 2726 063, £5.18.
Mahler: Symphony No 4. Frederica von Stade, Vienna PO/Abbado. DG 2530 966, £4.35 ☐ 3300 966, £4.50.
Tchaikovsky: Symphony No 5. Philharmonia/Ashkenazy. Decca SXL 6884, £3.99 ☐ KSXC 6884, £3.99.
Dvorak: Symphony No 9. Chicago SO/Giulini. DG 2530 881, £4.35 ☐ 3300 881, £4.50.

Only last month on this page I was suggesting we already have quite enough recordings of *The Rite of Spring*; now here comes another. Since this is conducted by Karajan, however, it must be counted of special interest, not least because his earlier effort was accorded the honour of the composer's castigation. This new release would not, I think, be greeted very differently by Stravinsky. The opening of the "Mystic Circles of the Young Girls", for instance, is still lusciously indulgent, and the introduction to the second part has more of relish than expectancy. But Stravinsky might well have approved the clarity with which Karajan points cross-rhythms and the way in which he keeps a feeling of metre even when it is being rudely broken. His achievements in these directions make this new disc a strong contender, despite its moments of excess warmth.

Karajan again enters a well filled field with his fourth recording of Sibelius's fifth symphony, and again he places himself in the front league. The landscaping of the opening movement is particularly impressive; with forceful string playing, beautiful woodwind solos and snaps from the brass all placed in a grand unfolding. Rather surprisingly, the movement ends at a gallop; the blithe swing of much of *En saga* is also disconcerting. But as in *The Rite*, one accepts these misjudgments for the power of the rest.

The least marvellous of these new Karajan recordings is that of Bruckner's seventh symphony, which has little of the awesome majesty of, for instance, Karl Böhm's recording on the same label. Instead Karajan sets the work in a more human dimension, so that the scherzo, to take the movement which shows his approach most clearly, has more of witty jollity than divine sporting. Bruckner's breadth is maintained—indeed, each movement is shaped with great skill—but somehow it seems less justifiable. The filler, Wagner's *Siegfried Idyll*, finds me torn between admiration for the glorious playing and regret for the brisk tempo affected towards the close.

From Bruckner to Mahler used to be a short step, but it has become a chasm, and Rafael Kubelik's Mahler recordings helped to make it so. The reissue of his decade-old version of the third symphony is welcome, even if later recordings have greater presence. Its great virtue is Kubelik's grasp of the wholeness of this most prolix of symphonies. The first movement is focused on a steady march tempo, its vulgar moments caught in the net of something vaster, and the sublimely phrased finale picks up the threads of what has gone before.

Claudio Abbado, though dealing with a much more tightly formed work in his new recording of Mahler's fourth symphony, produces a less integrated effect. His strategy is more dynamic, and the finale is not so much a culminative synthesis as a point of arrival, achieved after a steady growth in subjective involvement. With Frederica von Stade an excellent soloist in this last movement, exquisitely pure but not too sweet, the arrival is as delicate an enigma as it should be. The slow movement's long lines are a bit unsettled, and Abbado sometimes takes the music too breezily at face value, but these are perhaps necessary features in a performance of progressive inward drive.

Inward feeling is strong througout in Vladimir Ashkenazy's account of the fifth symphony of Tchaikovsky, which is not to say that this is a histrionic performance: quite the reverse. The music seems to grow from affection, not least from the warm enthusiasm with which the Philharmonia Orchestra play for this little known conductor. Their mutual enjoyment is most evident in the closing triumphal march, which, even if at first it seems too gaily optimistic, soon draws one into its embrace.

But I have kept till last my own favourite from this batch. Carlo Maria Giulini's recording of the "New World" symphony is magnificently grand, gaining strength from the repeat of the first-movement exposition but not only from that. The sound throughout is solid and resilient, the symphony seen as a work of immense power. Giulini firmly cuts loose from any willowy folksong feeling and substitutes a view of Dvorak's themes as polished and pregnant. That, coupled with brilliant playing from the Chicago orchestra, makes this a performance to freshen even a critic's appetite.

Paul Griffith

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Opera for London

Verdi: I due Foscari. Ricciarelli / Carreras / Cappuccilli. Austrian Radio SO/Gardelli. Philips 6700 105, £7.98.
Verdi: Il trovatore. Price/Obratzova / Bonisolli / Cappuccilli Berlin Philharmonic/Karajan. HMV SLS 5111, £11.95.
Operatic Arias: Obratzova and the Philharmonia. HMV ASD 3459, £3.99.
Operatic Arias: Chiara and the National Philharmonic. Decca SXL 6864, £3.99.
Martinu: Julietta. Prague National Theatre / Krombholc Supraphon 50 611, £8.97.

The record companies this month have been giving plenty of support to opera in London, actual and scheduled. Pride of place goes to *I due Foscari*, which Philips issue for the first time complete a few days before the new production at the Coliseum next Thursday. Verdi's early opera has long been accused of being too gloomy and too static. There is, to be sure, little exuberance or movement in Byron's play which furnished the raw material for Piave's libretto, his first of several for Verdi.

At the beginning of the opera Jacopo Foscari is condemned to death for a crime he did not commit and at the end of it he breathes his last before being shipped away from his once beloved Venice. José Carreras, who has already recorded Jacopo's most famous aria for Philips, is perhaps over-bland, but this is one of Verdi's most passive tenor roles and he sings it with consistent sweetness. His wife, Lucrezia, who charges into the male stronghold of Venice's Council Chamber to plead her husband's cause, is made of far stronger stuff and Katia Ricciarelli's performance suggests that she is now our leading young Italian dramatic soprano. The key role, however, belongs to Father Foscari, Francesco, one of those political patriarchs who was to fascinate Verdi throughout his career. It needs a *baritono nobile* and Cappuccilli fulfils the part to admiration.

The Austrian Radio Orchestra seem a slightly odd choice and under Lamberto Gardelli they perform creditably without exactly setting the Venice Lagoon on fire. The recording, similarly, is decent without being spectacular. It is left to the three principals to turn this set into another major piece of championship of Verdi by Philips.

HMV's new *Trovatore* and a recital disc by their Azucena, Elena Obratzova, were presumably designed to coincide with the Covent Garden debut of the Russian mezzo in the very same opera. As it is we are still waiting to hear that particular lady in the flesh after all the accolades she has won within and without her own country.

Certainly her full-throated gypsy and Cappuccilli, consistent as ever as di Luna, are the principal assets of this *Trovatore*. Neither of the other two principals cover themselves with much glory. Leontyne Price's Leonora is inferior to the interpretation she gave with Mehta on RCA, with the voice now too often sounding plummy and the diction less good than once it was. Franco Bonisolli has been much favoured by Karajan recently for reasons which escape me. The performance on stage, as here on record, is all too frequently coarse-grained and Vienna showed its displeasure at his Manrico earlier this year. Bonisolli is capable of trumpeting high notes but tenderness seems beyond him; Manrico requires both.

Karajan's major competition in this opera is himself. The recording he made some 20 years ago, recently reissued by HMV with a Callas recital filling the sixth side, remains my favourite *Trovatore*. On the new issue the Berlin Philharmonic play majestically, sometimes too majestically, and the energy of the score is dissipated. The dynamic range of the recording is excessive, so that the ear is sometimes stretching to catch the orchestra before being overwhelmed by vocal volume.

Obratzova's recital, with Giuseppe Patané and Robin Stapleton providing support with the Philharmonia, is a more even affair. Azucena's Act II arias turn up again and Eboli and Santuzza are brought in to demonstrate just how forceful and clean this voice is. I was even more taken by the second side, which is given over to Carmen and Dalila. Mme Obratzova sings the latter role at Orange in July and it should be well worth hearing.

Maria Chiara, Covent Garden's current Desdemona, has a recital record on Decca which is a considerable improvement on her earlier issues. The programme, adroitly chosen to include items from Mascagni's *Iris* and Catalani's *Loreley*, is anchored in what might now be termed Scotto territory. In other words, turn of the century *verismo*. The cleanliness of the attack and general charm of the singing make this a worthwhile record despite routine accompaniment.

Finally, those who have been introduced this month to Martinu's *Julietta*, either through the Coliseum production or Radio 3's transmission, may like to know that the opera is available on record. Rediffusion are distributing the Prague version under the expert hand of Jaroslav Krombholc. Ivo Jidek is particularly adept at bringing out the tortured, romantic nature of the bookseller, the part played, incidentally, by Gérard Philippe when *Juliette, ou la clef des songes* was filmed in the 1950s *without* Martinu's music.

John Higgins

Wagner's French disciples

Chausson: Poème de l'amour et de la mer; Duparc: Songs. J. Baker/LSO/Previn. EMI ASD 3455, £3.99.
Schubert: Songs for Gretchen, Ellen, and Suleika. Ameling/Kraak/Baldwin. Philips 9500 169, £3.99.
Schubert: Anthology of Songs. Fischer-Dieskau/Moore. DG 2740 187, £16. (six records).
Schubert: Symphony 9 in C major. Chicago SO/Giulini. DG 2530 882, £4.35.

Chausson's *Poem of Love and the Sea* (1882-92) stands alone, I believe, in the repertory of song with orchestra, an extended soliloquy whose three movements are really one. Wagner-influenced but purely French in style and accent (as with the finest Franck, Chabrier, d'Indy and Duparc, the music rouses the strange notion that Wagner ought to have been a Frenchman), not truly comparable with any similar work, unless Sibelius's *Luonnotar* and Berg's *Der Wein*. Its mood of regret for a vanished love, reinvoked by the proximity of nature, more closely recalls Delius's *Sea Drift*, or the *Farewell* movement of Mahler's *Song of the Earth*. But, like all masterpieces, the Chausson work is strictly *sui generis*, unique.

It used, in this country, to be associated with Maggie Teyte who left a passionate, alas abbreviated, recording of her interpretation, long unavailable. More recently there have been records of it by Los Angeles and Caballe. Dame Janet Baker's new recording conveys the special quality of the music to admiration. After Dame Maggie, she seems cold but the atmosphere is caught, and much of the detail (she also has the benefit of a great orchestra in sumptuous condition).

Previn, though responsive and exhortatory, is no Barbirolli nor Beecham, let alone a Monteux (so past memories of the work suggest). Dame Janet adopts a pale, almost harsh, tone for the second section of the first part, and her French vowels are not perfect (nor were Teyte's). When hairs have been split, this is a lovely interpretation of an almost impossible piece—does the recorded acoustic sound artificial, and unfavourable at the start to the singer? The close, "Le temps des lilas", with a sublime duet for voice and solo cello, stills all reservations.

The other side of the disc, five of Duparc's best-loved songs, may seem more conventional. But the songs are not otherwise currently available with the composer's orchestral accompaniments. Then Duparc is the ideal partner for Chausson, another side of the same musical face. After that, there is Dame Janet, exquisitely controlled of voice and excitability—her self-control in "La vie antérieure" is exemplary, even at the climax; and gorgeous orchestral sound everywhere, though it sometimes sounds unnaturally reverberant, as in "Le manoir de Rosemonde", almost hollow, a fleck on an interpretation which clings to the memory.

Elly Ameling's Schubert recital is planned round three heroines, two emanating from Goethe (one, Suleika, a real lady called Frau Willemer), the third from Walter Scott's *Lady of the Lake*. The idea is sensible and allows us to hear, not only the fragmentary and marvellous "Ach, neige" but also the scene in church with Mephisto (Meinard Kraak) and the congregation, supported by organ, a cogent rarity. In quick music the piano sounds muddy, and across two sides a certain euphonious monotony may be felt, not quite at the expense of emotional involvement, in the singing which also tends to underestimate when vocal legato is essential.

Such a record is the more welcome when Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau looms so large in Schubert. After several sides of the selection culled from his monumental recorded undertaking, one may crave another voice for contrast, but the selection is skilful, dedicated mostly to the less familiar songs, drawn from the composer's youth. Its melancholy is nicely contrasted with the more jovial Schubert, and the singer is as fortunate in his pianist as in his contextual climaxes.

Finally a magisterial and delectable account of Schubert's last symphony, the Great C Major. Every conductor strives to reconcile its symphonic design, a late fruit of Viennese classicism, with its melodious largesse. Carlo Maria Giulini has his own recipe, unconventional but natural because perfectly musical. His first movement is majestically paced and grandly balanced, the succeeding Andante rather a procession than a country stroll; if the last two movements are less controversial in speed they still find time for countless beauties of detail in sonority and emphasis. For some tastes Giulini's reading may seem too heavy, but such ears will surely revel in the marvellous Chicago playing and the clean, spacious recorded ambiance. The cassette version, like many from DG, is too wide in dynamic range to sound satisfactory on, say, a motor-car music system, but superb on good domestic equipment.

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Radio

The bad old good old days

"Bring back the good old days of radio" is a cry that goes up more than once a year and I am inclined to nod at it and growl "Here, here" just like any Member of Parliament, until somebody actually serves up the good old days on a loudspeaker. Then it quickly becomes obvious that the good old days as such did not exist. There were only "the old days" and some of them were and still are good, while others—whatever they may have been like at the time—sound slightly lame today.

Take *What Did Horace Say?*, a commemoration by Peter Cavanagh of Harry Hemsley, man of many talents, among them the creation of his invisible family, Elsie, Winnie, Johnny and young Horace, who always had to be interpreted. I remember them as they originally were with pleasure and "what did Horace say?" can only just have missed passing into the permanent national idiom, but resurrected as they were that afternoon a week ago they seemed no longer quite in key. The characters of the children endure all right; it is the relationship between them and their pseudo father which now sounds odd—a shade genteel, as if based on the tone and attitudes of *Children's Hour*. Perhaps there's room for a new Hemsley of the 70s.

An earlier programme on Radio 3 evoked the same sense of anachronism and not at all because its subject was *Ebla*, the recently discovered Syrian city of the third millennium BC. This was a production by the World Service which listeners and others have sometimes attempted to assure me is the sole remaining repository of the true and enduring virtues of sound broadcasting. Well perhaps, but on the evidence of this, it is in something of the same sense as the British Museum is the repository of other ancient things once true. The pace and the structure and the gently earnest and didactic tone of *Ebla* took us all back thirty years and I do not believe that we or the programme were the better for it.

Both this and Horace were the victims of passing time, a phrase I used with the perfect certainty that it represents what I experience and it was this kind of certainty which Radio 4's *Arrows of Time* set out to undermine. I think there is an early limit to what such programmes can achieve. In one way it seems to me there is no purpose in questioning time: no matter what happens, the particular arrangement of cells which is you or me will last while the earth goes round the sun so many times and then it will begin to fail and finally it will stop. After that it will decay. My body cannot escape time: although I am told—and the programme reminded me—that Einstein seems to be correct and the passage of time is different for organisms which approach the speed of light, I do not honestly expect to be able to take advantage of that, nor of what I gather is the similar effect of changes in the field of gravity. The best I can expect of such information is that it will induce a somewhat theoretical appreciation of the fact that time as experienced by my aging body is only one manifestation of the beast, and this—if I happen to remember it—may possibly dry up some thoroughly dogmatic utterance in my throat the next time I get into an argument.

On the other hand, some people do apparently experience shifts in their perception of time. One lady described how she suddenly found herself walking into another place and time and, as she got to the end of the street, out of it again. I see no reason to doubt that she was describing something that can and did happen. The usefulness of this is, I suppose, to reinforce acceptance of the idea that body time is not universal and absolute, but it does not get me any closer to an understanding of it—in the sense, say, that I understand what it is to fall in love. What it does *do*, perhaps, is to suggest that in such matters you find out by experience or not at all. Although it is perhaps worth asking: if quite suddenly I walk out of Oxford Street 1978 and into another place and time, it may for me turn a theory into a fact; but beyond that transition —which I have already experienced in other departments of my life—what will have been the use? Whatever the answer to that, *Arrows of Time* was well worth putting on, if only as a demonstration of what cannot be done. Barbara Crowther produced, Leslie Smith presented and it is much to say of him that he remains one of the few people in broadcasting willing to tackle topics of this kind. But I hope I may suggest without offence that he needs to watch a tendency to pass or at least imply moral judgments on the people he interviews. It has always been there, I suspect, but has generally been better controlled. Its effect is not to promote confidences but to dry them up.

Last week saw the end of *Hermsprong*, the serialization of an eighteenth century novel by Robert Bage which as adapted by D. G. Bridson came over as a sharp and lively work. There were some correspondingly strong performances by Blain Fairman in the title role, Noel Johnson as a choleric peer and Patricia Gallimore as his daughter's friend and confidante. As the daughter and heroine Elizabeth Cassidy seemed by contrast somewhat tentative. A sound production by Roger Pine, although I would have liked music at the finish too: it was like ending with a comma. Patrick Gilkes's *Ethiopian Witness* (producer; Andrew Joynes) gave an admirably clear account of what has happened in that troubled country since the deposition of Haile Selassie; I came away from it feeling that I had been told and had grasped all the key events so far. On Sunday mornings (Radio 4) those who missed the first broadcast might like to sample the repeat of *The Hitch-Hiker's Guide to the Galaxy* and see if they agree with me that it represents a rather marked improvement in the state of radio comedy.

David Wade

Collecting

The Erté ensignia

Erté, or Romain de Tirtoff, was born in St. Petersburg in 1892 and first went to Paris in 1912 to study painting at the Académie Julian. In 1913 he began work in Paul Poiret's workshops; his Martine workshops produced rugs, fabrics, murals and later complete interiors much in the style of Bakst's designs for the Ballet Russe. In 1915 Erté began designing for *Harper's Bazaar*, an association which was to last for over 20 years, and in 1919 he first began designing sets and costumes for the Folies Bergère. Since 1965 no year has passed without an exhibition of Erté's work.

Alec Shanks, a designer and stage producer, first met Erté in Paris in 1928 in the salon of Max Weldy, the costumier of the Folies Bergère. He remembers that Erté, beautifully dressed, arrived with his constant companion Prince Ouroussoff, another Russian emigré: "The tableau was completed by a chauffeur in a fawn livery, soigné from cap to shining gaiters, who carried before him, like a tray, a matching portfolio of designs. Here was not a designer come to submit his work for the patron's approval, but a confident master, giving instructions for the carrying out of his project."

Alec Shanks continued to work with Erté up until the 1960s, commissioning work for productions at the London Palladium, the Hippodrome and other West End theatres as well as in Paris and Barcelona. In 1964 he produced *Diamond Fair* at the Latin Quarter on Broadway, commissioning the costumes the scenery from Erté and spending an extravagant $150,000 on the costumes alone. E. M. Loew, the owner of the Latin Quarter, had been happy to use Erté's designs after seeing a cabaret in Paris designed by him, but Alec Shanks thought that in all probability Loew did not associate the name with the almost legendary fashion and theatre designer of the 'twenties and 'thirties whose work for *Harper's Bazaar* was by this time virtually forgotten. At the press conference for the show the reporters were incredulous: "But he's dead", they shouted.

The success of *Diamond Fair* probably did much to ensure the success of an exhibition of Erté's work held at the Grosvenor Gallery in New York in 1967; his first major American exhibition, although between 1965 and 1967 there had been shows in London, Milan and Paris. All 170 items in the New York show were purchased by the Metropolitan Museum of Art who held their own exhibition the following year. Sotheby's report that the first big prices for Erté drawings were set in 1969 and now prices vary from a few hundred pounds for the more commercial drawings, up to £500 for his pre-1929 work and £1,000 for *Harper's Bazaar* covers or £1,500-£2,000 for set designs. Erté drawings are still "steadily appreciating".

Alec Shanks had ample opportunity to study the way in which the master worked. "His method of working is surprising. Taking the softest of lead-pencils, he draws, loosely, the general shape, and continues scribbling until the centre of the sheet is an almost solid blur. From this he selects the line he needs, and, using the hardest pencil made, he *incises* the outline and the main details. He then erases the whole blur, leaving the immaculately refined line, which he proceeds to fill in with colour. Erté's graduations of colour (always gouache) are almost mathematically worked out. This has become second nature to him, and he is quite incapable of using watercolours to obtain shaded effects." For a Hippodrome musical, *The Fleet's Lit Up*, the designs were needed urgently to meet a delivery deadline, "and I pleaded with him to eliminate the shadow eyelids and hairfine lashes from all the faces (an eyelid alone required the mixing of four different shades). It also seemed to give a less 'dated' look. After the war, I noticed that he was continuing to use this quicker method.

"Normally, he will work far into the night, without interruption, by the light of a powerful lamp that does not distort his colours: a radio playing softly beside him, his cats his only companions." At the end of a drawing, the famous signature is carefully added and the design numbered according to a register. The first design Alec Shanks commissioned, for a fountain scene for *The 1001 Marvels* in London in 1937, was numbered 4166; the last designs, for *Diamond Fair*, were numbered somewhere up in the 17,000s. Working copies, unsigned, would then be made so that many of the original drawings are still preserved intact.

As with the example of the fountain scene, the original idea for a set would have been worked out by the producers of a show, but it was Erté himself who gave body to the framework. His female figures, slim and elongated with slightly ballooning hips, have become almost the insignia of 'twenties fashion, before *Harper's Bazaar* turned to photographic models. The expression and the character of the faces hardly changes and, as for example with the famous Modigliani face, one wonders where the original lady is now, if in Erté's case there ever was one. That Erté pictures the world in his own style is illustrated by the disappointment he felt when he made his only visit to Blackpool to see the set he had designed for the Opera House: Erté had expected Blackpool to be like the "plage" at Deauville.

One Erté drawings, from the 1940 instrument series, is to be sold at Sotheby's on May 17 and more drawings will be in their June ballet and theatre sale. Christies, however, report that recently Erté drawings have not been selling too well, partly because there have been too many on the market and of those there have been insufficient of the excellent early designs. Marina Henderson whose firm Decor, at 14 Pall Mall, specializes in theatrical material, has many Erté drawings, from £150 to £250 for early ones to £500 for the more elaborate 1920s designs and £900 for *Harper's Bazaar* covers which are, however, difficult to find. She warns that there have been some fakes on the market which are coarser and lack the Erté stamp on the back. Erté's agent is the Grosvenor Gallery.



Cover for Harper's Bazaar c 1922. Now in private collection. Originals of Erté's Bazaar covers are rare and, if available, cost upwards of £1,000.

Isabelle Anscombe

Chess

The promise of youth

Nothing shows more clearly the advance English chess has made in the international field, especially among the young, than a book I recently received from Holland entitled *Derde Gasunie Schaaktoernooi 1978* (Europees jeugdkampioenschap). It is an account, with all the games, of the European Junior Championship tournament which was played at Groningen in the northernmost part of the Netherlands from December 21, 1977, to January 5, 1978, and its winner was the English player Shaun Taulbut, who is an undergraduate at Downing College, Cambridge.

The book also contains a list of all seven European junior champions together with their present rank (ie, international master or international grandmaster) and this runs as follows: 1972 Gyula Sax (Hungary) IGM; 1973 Oleg Romanishin (USSR) IGM; 1974 Sergei Makarychev (USSR) IGM; 1975 John Nunn (England) IM; 1976 Alexander Kochiev (USSR) IGM; 1977 Lubomir Ftacnik (Czechoslovakia) IM; 1978 Shaun Taulbut (England) IM.

The winners of the European title also gain the title of international master and it is significant that of these seven no less than four (Sax, Romanishin, Makarychev and Kochiev) have since won the grandmaster title.

As one might have expected, the Soviet Union has won it the most times, three in all; but England is close behind with two titles. Surprisingly Yugoslavia, generally reckoned as second only to the USSR in Europe, has never won the European title, but Hungary and Czechoslovakia have each won it once. Here again the fact that such a powerful chess-playing nation as Hungary should have been passed by England in this event serves to underline the great promise of our English youth.

Maxima reverentia debetur pueris is a motto that I find utterly convincing and it will indeed be a matter of intense interest to see how our young team fares in the chess Olympiad that is due to start in Argentina on October 21. It is a safe bet that nobody over the age of, say, 32 will figure in our team then. Indeed, any player over 25 in the team will be regarded as middle-aged by his team-mates.

All the games played in the European Junior Championship tournament are given in the book and, after playing through Taulbut's games, I am impressed by his magnificent tactical ability.

Despite his skill he had a hard time breaking through to the top in this event and in fact before the tournament started it was the Soviet player, Sergei Dolmatov, who was favourite to win the title. But he was held to a draw by the other English player, David Goodman, in the first round; whereas Taulbut won easily enough against one of the weakest players in the event, the Malteser, Busuttil.

There were 32 competitors who played in a 13 round Swiss System tournament; 13 rounds should have been quite enough to produce a decisive result among 32 players, but it did not suffice to avoid a number of tantalizing ties. A fortunate provision laid down that in the event of a tie the championship should go to the player with the greatest number of won games and this emphasis on what the Dutch book calls "entjes" (ones) made the contestants play in a sharper and more combative style than usual.

Taulbut won again in the second round and was joined in top place by the Scottish player, Upton, and three players from Central Europe, Goszpeter (Hungary), Schubert (West Germany) and Mokry (Czechoslovakia). Faced in the next round by the talented Upton he won well with a 27 move Ruy Lopez and was joined in first place by the Czechoslovak Mokry who beat Groszpeter.

It was Mokry who gained the lead in the fourth round by winning a sternly contested game against Taulbut, only to be displaced in the lead by the Soviet player Dolmatov who beat Mokry in his turn in the fifth round.

Now Dolmatov seemed to be running away with the event. In the sixth round he beat Taulbut and was 1½ points ahead of him, remaining so in the seventh round after which he had 6½ points and was followed, at a respectful distance, by three players from the United Kingdom, Upton, Taulbut and Goodman, all of whom had five points as opposed to Dolmatov's 6½.

It was in fact Goodman who now seemed Dolmatov's most dangerous rival as he beat Taulbut in Round 8 and with the Scottish player Upton drawing with the leader, Goodman was second with 6 points to Dolmatov's 7.

But Dolmatov was beaten for the first time by the Bulgarian Georgiev in Round 9 and this meant the Russian was narrowly in the lead with 7 points, just half a point ahead of Georgiev, Goodman and the Romanian Foisor. By beating Goodman in the next round Georgiev overhauled Dolmatov in the lead.

Dolmatov suffered his second loss, against the Norwegian Tiller in Round 11, and now people began to remember how the Russian Vladimirov had started off with seven wins out of seven games in the competition of 1976-77 and then collapsed dramatically.

The turning point for Taulbut came in the 12th round when he beat the Bulgarian Georgiev with some beautifully sharp play and thus figured in a five way tie with his Bulgarian opponent and Goodman, Dolmatov, and Upton.

In the 13th and final round Taulbut beat the French player Roos, Dolmatov beat Bjork (Sweden) and Georgiev beat Schubert. With Goodman and Upton both losing this meant that the tournament ended in a tie between the three players, Taulbut, Dolmatov and Georgiev with 9 points each. It was Taulbut who had won the most games, 8 as opposed to Dolmatov and Georgiev's 7. Hence Taulbut was the overall winner.

Here is the fine game he won against Georgiev in Round 12.
White: Taulbut
Black: Georgiev
Sicilian Defence:

1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 Kt-KB3 P-Q3 3 B-Kt5 ch B-Q2 4 BxB ch QxB 5 O-O Kt-KB3

I prefer here 5 . . . Kt-QB3 which prevents White's ensuing pawn thrust.

6 P-K5 PxP 7 KtxP Q-B2

Here the Queen is still exposed to attack by White's minor pieces and hence better was 7 . . . Q-B1.

8 P-Q4 Kt-B3

Or 8 . . . P-K3; 9 B-B4, B-Q3; 10 Kt-R3 when White threatens both 11 Kt-Kt5 and 11 QKt-B4.

9 B-B4 O-O-O

This came as a complete surprise to White, as Taulbut admits in his notes to the game in the tournament book where he points out that now 10 Kt-Kt6 is met by 10 . . . P-K4.

10 P-QB3 KtxKt 11 BxKt Q-B3 12 Kt-Q2 P-K3 13 P-QKt4

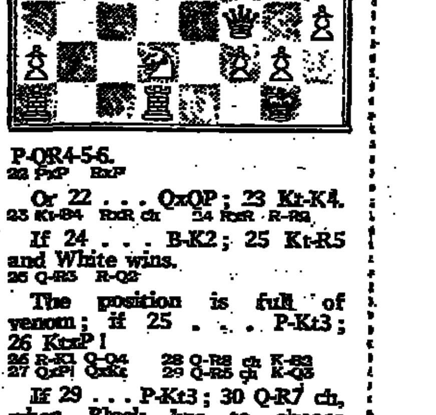
Taulbut says that probably 13 Kt-B3 is safer but that the pawn advance gives White chances.

13 . . . Kt-Q4 14 Q-B3 P-B3 15 B-Kt3 P-KR4 16 P-KR5 P-KKt4 17 P-B4 Kt-B5 18 P-Q5

Clearly not 18 BxKt, PxB; 19 QxBP, on account of 19 . . . B-R3.

18 . . . BxKt KPxP 19 BxKt PxB 20 P-Kt5 Q-Q2 21 KR-Q1 Q-B4

And now Taulbut says that White was threatening to move his Knight and then play



P-QR4-5-6.

22 PxP BxP

Or 22 . . . QxQP; 23 Kt-K4.

23 Kt-B4 RxR ch 24 RxR R-R8

If 24 . . . B-K2; 25 Kt-R5 and White wins.

25 Q-R5 R-Q2

The position is full of venom; if 25 . . . P-Kt3; 26 KtxP!

26 R-K1 Q-Q4 27 QxP! QxKt 28 Q-R8 ch K-B2 29 Q-R5 ch K-Q3

If 29 . . . P-Kt3; 30 Q-R7 ch, when Black has to choose between 30 . . . K-Q3; 31 QxP ch, etc, and being mated by 30 . . . K-Q1; 31 Q-Kt8, or 30 . . . K-B1; 31 Q-R8.

30 Q-Kt6 ch K-Q4 31 Q-K6 ch Black resigns.

Harry Golombek

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Travel

A taste of timeless beauty

The Sahara is beautiful. It is savage, dramatic, poignant and terrible. A desert is all of these things and the Sahara is the biggest desert of all. It is also timeless. At least for a decade or two to come the traveller who cares to leave the tourist tracks can still see what Major Gordon Laing saw on his epic journey to Timbuctoo in 1826, and, for that matter, what Julius Caesar gazed upon when he landed on African shores in 46 BC.

The Sahara, too, is accessible. More accessible than one would think. Within its 3,000,000 square miles are four desert regions: the Sahara proper in the west, the Libyan in the centre, the Arabian in the east, the Nubian to the south and they all have their gateways. One of the easiest-to-reach gates into the desert proper is that offered by the Libyan Fezzan which opens on to the most compact samples of the differing constituents of a true desert that can be found anywhere. Here within easy Land-Rover reach, are mountain ranges, rocky uplands, the *hammada*, black gravel-covered plains or *reg* and shifting sand dunes—the *erg*—which, alone, conjure the popular conception of the Sahara.

Driving along the incomparably fine tarmacadam road that runs along the westerly section of the long Wadi el Ajal a hundred miles south of Sebha the traveller will see, on both sides of the wide valley, the records of 10,000 years of man's history. In fact, there is probably no other stretch of country in the Sahara so rich in historical content. Thus in one comparatively small region can be seen not only the changing faces of desert environment but also the most evocative monuments of human endeavour from the beginning of time.

The Fezzan has nurtured five capitals; quite a number for a desert. Such abundance of cities is an indication of the importance once enjoyed by this region of the Sahara. The first was Garama, now Djerma, capital of the Garamantes, with links emerging from pre-history. To this day the people of this pre-Roman civilization remain a mystery nation of the ancient world, a tribe who "pursued the Ethiopian troglodytes in four-horse chariots" and left behind a legacy of irrigation systems far in advance of anything even the Romans could devise. Very little else is known of the Garamantes except, maybe, of the land in which they lived, depicted in the 10,000-year-old rock carvings in the Wadi Mathendous and elsewhere.

Mathendous, a gash in the harsh grey clinker of the *Hammada*, contains the most exciting and prolific rock art galleries anywhere. Here, displayed for posterity, lies a record of what this barren land was like 10 millennia before. Few people take the trouble to view these granite canvases and the oases dwellers in the valley can raise no curiosity in etchings of elephant, giraffe and cattle. Yet here is proof that, once upon a time, this was a land of forests and rivers, inhabited by wild beasts long since moved south to the interior of Africa.

Old Djerma is now a dusty ruin. Thick walls and ramparts, some of Roman construction, remain, but new Djerma rises from the decay for, as with all these long-dead Fezzan cities, the new generation of inhabitants are being afforded homes fit for humans to live in.

As Garama, the city was destroyed and raped by hordes of Oriental nomads with burning aspirations to spread the word of Mohammed through the language of the sword. By the eleventh century, Garama was a capital and source of influence no more. Of the secrets of the Garamantes, the Arabs retained only that of an itinerary towards the South. It was they who henceforth controlled the Sudan trail, a trail that was to create the riches of the new capital, the Islamic capital of Zouila.

From the eighth to the twelfth century the city functioned primarily as a slave market. From this inhuman commerce Zouila drew its luxury in a welter of debauchery and ferocity. But the Berbers were architects and gave their new capital a belt of fortifications and a line of fine tombs that stand to this day. One obtains a strange impression from the solitude of the ruins; high walls brought low by time and the elements. It is the image of a city accursed within the heart of a silent desert. At nightfall scorpions by the score emerge from its remains.

The new enemy came from the South, and the aggressor was black. It was the black sovereigns of the Kanem who, from the beginning of the thirteenth century, became the successors of the Garamantes and the Romans in this trans-Saharan corridor. They established themselves in the Fezzan and made their capital Traghen, 40 miles west of Zouila.

As it stands Traghen is but another network of ruins close to the new town of government-built bungalows entangled in a skein of lamp standards which modern Libya deems a necessary adjunct for burning off its excess of electricity. Among the hard-baked mud are vestiges of irrigation canals, guard towers and circular ramparts of long gone epochs.

But the struggle for this Saharan crossroad did not end with Traghem. In the fourteenth century it was the turn of the Moroccans who established yet another capital, Murzuk, where the last slave caravan passed through as recently as 1929. To the student of Saharan history, here stands a milestone on his journey. This small oasis presents, in microcosm, another lost African world—the world of the slave trade. The place still reeks of the misery of its inglorious past, symbolized by the Turkish citadel and Arab fort. If film producers are still interested in Foreign Legion epics and are looking for locations the Libyan Fezzan is the place to go. Sebihu, the latest sprawling jerry-built capital, with its acres of refuse dumps and unfinished roads, Murzuk and Ubari, guarding the entrance to the Wadi el Ajal on the desert track to Ghat, have splendid examples of legion-type forts. Few of them are old, but all are richly endowed with crenellated walls, redoubts and embrasures.

Few travellers indeed take the trouble to visit a tribe called the Dawada—literally "The Worm Eaters"—who live beyond the enormous sand dunes which stretch for 50 miles along the north side of the Wadi. For unknown centuries the Dawada have been isolated from the outside world. Looking at a landscape of sand swept into yellow mountains the scene is one of the most beautiful and awesome that imagination can conceive. Yet, deep in this enormous desolation, where not one blade of grass can live, a small pocket of people live safe from their enemies but prisoners of their own security. They live around a miracle of water encircled by palms and occupy themselves with fishing for a kind of shrimp in a lake which only their womenfolk are permitted to enter. They are a shy and gentle people of extreme poverty despised by the Fezzanese. Yet, though their known enemies have receded, they live out their lives as their ancestors have lived in decades gone by.

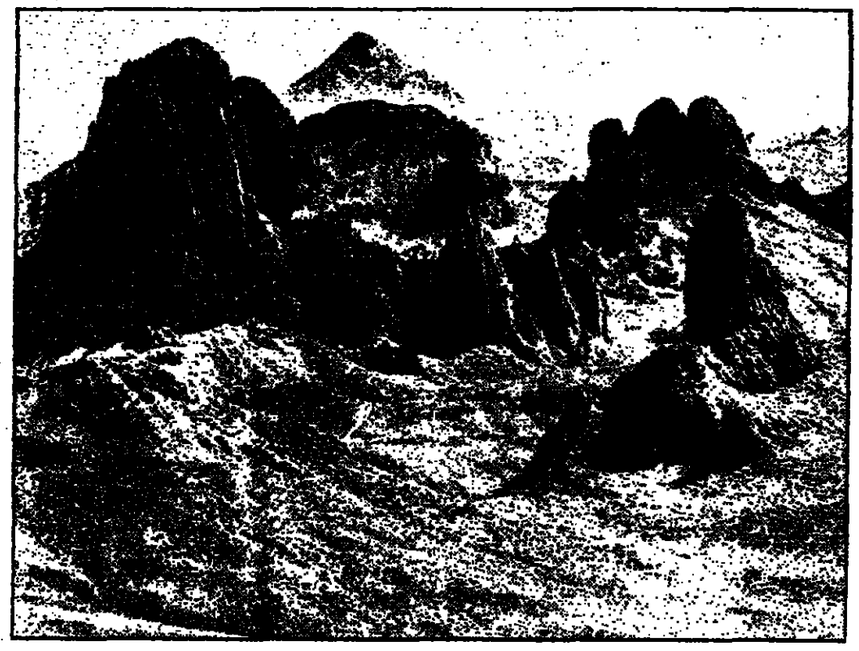
It is by no mean feat, even today, to find one's way into the Acacus Mountains. They remain an undiscovered territory to geographers, yet they contain the world's most stupendous art galleries—cave paintings from 10,000 BC. The Acacus range is composed of eroded ridges rising in jagged broken masses as far as the eye can see, a landscape of lunar unreality devoid of life but full of fantastic shapes and wondrous caverns.

Monuments to both nature and history here in the Fezzan have a timeless quality about them like old men, weather-beaten and worn. Each is impressive in age as much as stature. More instantly imposing, perhaps, are the two cities of Leptis Magna and Sebrata, comfortably ensconsed upon the Tripolitanian coast. Wholly Roman, they remain sumptuous relics of the order and discipline of a conquest that has left its traces over much of the world.

Thus the Libyan Desert and its treasures. Solitude is rare in our European lives today and the raw materials being obtained from ever more remote zones of the Sahara are already a threat to a commodity that is increasing in value. "The desert is the most beautiful of all things", wrote Colette and surely, not least of all, that beauty embraces the solitude, the silence and the looking back.

Allan & Dunn Expeditions, 16A Soho Square, London, W1, run a number of 22-day Land-Rover tours covering the Libyan Fezzan and Tripolitanian coast. The cost is around £650. Groups consist of no more than a dozen participants in three vehicles driven by experts. Food is plentiful and varied, a three-course hot meal being supplied by a staff cook each evening. Tents are available for those that want them, and comfort, together with safety, are key factors on the tour. Off the routes a Tuareg guide accompanies the group.

Christopher Portway



Mountains and sand: the contrast in the desert.

Drink

Social graces

Many people studying wine find it of interest to compare the different variations that are produced by climate, altitude and temperature on the well-known classic grapes. For example, sampling Rieslings from different vineyards chosen from as wide a range as possible throughout the world can be of great value, but, if you do arrange any tasting of this kind, it is only fair to compare comparable qualities and, if there be differences in the grape variety, this ought to be known at the outset. The Rheinriesling, for example, that makes the finest German wines, is not quite the same as the Walsch or Olasz Riesling, which is the grape making many central and eastern European wines, all likely to be quite fairly labelled "Riesling".

Sometimes a grape that is widely grown but only makes fairly ordinary wines in most vineyards, will produce really fine wine in a few places. The Traminer is grown throughout the world, but the Gewürztraminer — the "spicey" Traminer—as grown in Alsace makes wines of remarkable quality. The British are slow to appreciate Alsace wines, but each one of them, usually named for the one grape variety that makes them, are excellent wines with which to start studying grapes and, because they make an immediate appeal, they are socially useful too, whether for casual drinking or with food. The 1976 Gewürztraminer, Couvée Speciale, of Kuentz Bas, is very full although dry, a good "when in doubt" wine with which to introduce anyone to the pleasures of Alsace. This example costs £2.80 from Imperial Wine Stores, Addington Street, SE1. If you want to do a comparative Traminer tasting, try this after any chosen from central Europe or the New World—and see why this is one of the great wine grapes of the world.

Another classic grape, the Chenin Blanc, is also grown all over the world, and there are many excellent South African whites, as well as wines from Australia and California, that demonstrate its slightly honeyed, flowery style. In the Loire Valley, however, where it is known as the "Pineau de la Loire", its characteristics are intensified; it makes the Vouvrays, Touraine, Anjou and Saumur whites and the wines it produces can be bone dry or develop a delicious sweetness, with the acidity of this cool vineyard preventing them from ever becoming flabby or dull. From the little-known Jasnières vineyard, the 1975 wine of J.-B. Pinon is a charming example, with a herby bouquet that is slightly reminiscent of mint and wet leaves, with a full, lingering flavour. This too might be a casual drink as well as one with food; it is certainly not "sweet" in the sense that some writers refer to Jasnères wines. It costs £2.86 from Yapp of Mere, Wilts.

Yapp also have two 1976 wines from the Ardèche, a region becoming known for its easy-to-like reds, which are less expensive than much Beaujolais and, nowadays, many of the Rhône reds. Both these wines come from Les Producteurs de Saint-Désirat, who have won medals for them, and one is straight Syrah, the other straight Gamay. It is not always easy to find a Syrah in classic European vineyards, although elsewhere it is cultivated by itself, but this one, slightly bluish in colour, with fairly high acidity balancing its fat, is both a pleasant drink and useful for the student to register so that the part it plays in the Rhône wines can be recognized when tasting, say, Châteauneuf-du-Pape. The Ardèche Gamay, a rounded, fruity red, is a fresher, more straightforward wine than much Beaujolais at the same price, with which it may be compared. Both these wines cost £2 a bottle, from Yapp of Mere.

To register another of the great Rhône grapes, the Grenache, there is a first-rate Côtes du Roussillon-Villages from the Cave de Maury, also a 1976: this displays the great gutsiness of the Grenache, with the odd, almost "tarry" after-taste of this grape. The Roussillon is, of course, farther south than the Rhône and this wine has a sunnier, more open style, but, being grown on a schist soil, it possesses a neatness and compact quality as well as the sort of inner depth that promises good maturity if it can be kept a little longer. This 1976 Côtes de Roussillon-Villages 1976 comes from the newly-established independent firm of A. O. R. Grilli, who is much respected in the wine world; the wine costs £1.77 a bottle and the firm's address is Little Knoxbridge, Cranbrook Road, Staplehurst, Kent. The telephone number is Staplehurst 891472. Their list includes classics as well as several novelties.

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Gardening

Sitting pretty

If you were to visit a trade show of garden furniture and other leisure equipment your first impression would almost certainly be amazement at the numbers of firms at home and abroad who make these goods, many of them almost identical with their competitors. Next you wonder how they all manage to make a living. Then when you begin to study the furniture more closely you see that the design, finish and quality generally varies very considerably and so do prices.

Prices, of course, vary a good deal, depending on where you buy.

Broadly, garden furniture falls into three main categories—wooden, metal with or without plastic covering and tubular metal with plastic or cotton or linen fabric seats, cushions and in the case of swing hammocks sun canopies.

Obviously it is wise to store garden furniture under cover when not in use from November to April if this is possible. It can, of course, be stacked up and stored outside covered with a large sheet of plastic but this is not as good as a dry shed or garage. When storage space is limited the "knock down" seats, benches and tables are worth considering because they can be dismantled very quickly and stored flat, upright against the wall of a shed or garage and occupy very little space.

Some are really "knock down" because the various parts are held together with wooden wedges which may be knocked out by a mallet. Incidentally there are now mallets made of some synthetic rubber or plastic material which is very kind to wood if you have to hit it hard for any reason.

Other wooden furniture may be dismantled easily enough by unscrewing a few nuts and bolts and this takes only a few minutes longer.

Oak and teak used to be the favourite wood for garden furniture, but iroko wood from Africa seems to be capturing a large share of the market, and very good it is too.

The iroko wood is treated with a natural oil which enhances its colour. After a summer or two the wood takes on a kind of silvery grey colour which I find very attractive. If however you prefer it to be a reddish brown colour there is a wood preservative. "Resistol" containing a colourant which will keep it to this warm shade.

When you come to consider tubular chairs, "loungers" and the like you really do have to check on quality and workmanship. A "lounger" broadly is a chair which can be so adjusted that it can be folded flat to make a bed, or a chair of which the back can be adjusted to various angles.

There is considerable variation in the quality of the fabrics and in the type of plastic foam used to fill cushions.

For use around swimming pools, or by sun lovers who coat themselves with sun tan oil the chairs and loungers with plastic strip seats and backs instead of foam-filled fabric cushions are excellent. They are easily cleaned and of course they do not have to be put under cover in case it rains.

Also weatherproof are the various tables and chairs made of die-cast aluminium and either white painted or covered with white plastic, and based on old continental designs. They are really quite attractive in the right setting—a formal rose garden, patio or terrace.

If you are not able to visit a garden centre or a shop that stocks a wide selection of garden furniture the following firms offer an interesting range of the various types:

Ameeco Broby, Leisure Division, Ameeco House, Bentalls, Basildon, Essex; Ema Furniture Ltd, Church Road, Mitcham, Surrey CR4 3TD, The Easirider Company, Ethel Street, Northampton NN1 5ER; Makemass Ltd, Crayford Industrial Estate, Crayford, Kent; Frank Odell Ltd, 43-45 Broad Street, Teddington, Middlesex; Jack Beanstalk Nursery, Frensham, Surrey who sell an interesting range of French aluminium furniture.

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Selective weedkillers work fast on lawn weeds now. Also if there are bare patches, grass seed sown now and kept moist will germinate very quickly.

Lift tulips after flowering and heel them in on a spare piece of ground if you want the bed or border for summer bedding. But do not plant out tender plants such as geraniums, dahlias, fuchsias or tomatoes, or marrows until the last week of May or around June 10 in the cold districts.

Give hedges like privet or *Lonicera nitida* their first trimming—they will need another later in the summer.

Watch for pests and diseases. Check plants that you know may be attacked twice a week and at the first sign of trouble apply the appropriate spray or dust. Roses, lilies, chrysanthemums, dahlias, strawberries, gooseberries, red and black currants and broad beans are all liable to attack by pests and diseases.

On ornamental plants various pests may be controlled by systemic insecticides; these are absorbed into the plant and the insect when sucking the sap takes in the lethal dose of the insecticide.

Try to stake herbaceous plants well before they are liable to be beaten down by heavy rains. Many, like erigerons, veronicas, delphiniums, and oriental poppies are almost impossible to get upright again once they have been knocked down.

Prune forsythias, winter flowering jasmine and japanese quince after flowering to encourage side growths.

Make successional sowings of lettuces, radishes and peas. Sow French and runner beans, sweet corn and marrows under cloches early in the month, in the open about the end of the month.

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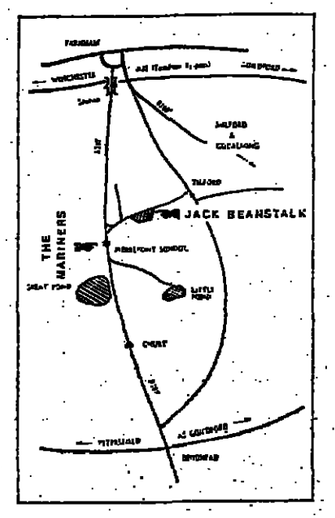
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Bridge

Gambling bids

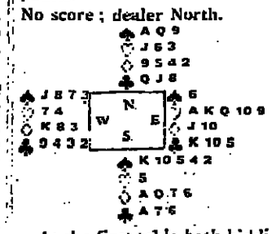
I once wrote that in an ideal rubber nothing more should be known beforehand concerning an opener's bid than that its strength could vary between 10 and 20 points, and that a responder gave him such encouragement as he deemed appropriate in the circumstances. The partners were ignorant of each other's strength until a change of suit had received support or one of them had made a jump bid. Opponents were not entirely in the dark but were liable to suffer an appropriate penalty for carefree interference, and I saw nothing unfair in broadening the basis of an opening bid so that it could contain as few as two or as many as six tricks.

Any such unsystematic bidding has been swept under the carpet. Your One Diamond or One No Trump must now have definable features, while variations attached to the artificial One Club must be accompanied by an explanation to opponents who demand it. A few of the old gambles are popular, but they are regarded as insufficiently sophisticated. For many years it was the fashion, especially for third or fourth player after two passes, to open Three No Trumps on a solid minor suit with nothing else of value. His maximum might be ♠Q6 ♡J5 ◇AKQJ984 ♣103, and the partner took no part in the auction unless he saw better possibilities of game in one of the minors. He then jumped to Five Clubs, relying on the opener to bid Five Diamonds if they constituted his suit. This gamble then grew excrescences because it was too primitive.

In the first place it almost eliminated the preemptive Four Clubs and Four Diamonds which now could suggest only a powerless, one suit hand. In fact, the preemptions, even at favourable vulnerability, became helpful to opponents; so their interpretations were altered. The Three No Trumps described a hand with an eight-card minor which did not guarantee tricks—such a shape as ♠104 ♡95 ◇KQ1109876 ♣5 which was solely obstructive, while the minor suit preemption was employed to demand a transfer to a major—from Four Clubs or Four Diamonds to Four Hearts or Four Spades.

As if this change were not already complicated, several international players thought that the gambling Three No Trumps could be best used to eliminate opposition in the minors by guaranteeing a solid major suit without necessarily a high point-count. In order that you may see it in action, I have extracted a deal from the final round of the American Vanderbilt tournament which is rated highly throughout the continent. The partners who employed it were desperately attempting to recover lost points.

No score; dealer North.



At the first table both bidding and play followed normal lines.

North	East	South	West
No	1 Hearts	Double	No
No	No		

South led a spade and his partner provided two tricks as he had hoped. The Double appears to me rather flimsy, but the situation of North's team was becoming desperate and the defenders did not expect the declarer to have a solid suit of hearts when he had rejected the more probable game in No trumps.

At the second table East West were employing the "gambling" Three No Trumps to indicate seven tricks in a major with a probable card of entry. South had no intention of allowing the declarer to suppress his opponents, so he doubled the conventional bid in order to drive him into the open. The subsequent auction took an unusual course.

North	East
No	3 No trumps
4 Hearts	No
No	No

South	West
Double	4 Diamonds
4 Spades	No

I should explain that West's Four Diamonds requested the opener to show his suit, and North by bidding Four Hearts was asking South to buy the contract in his major suit. South easily deduced that East's solid major was Hearts, so he courageously bid Four Spades. The sequence may seem unusually complicated, but an artificial opening bid can only be met by an equally artificial defence.

South appeared to have a difficult contract when East had cashed one Heart and forced declarer with a second Heart. Having ruffed with the ♠2, declarer led a trump to the ♠Q and finessed the ♡Q. He lost to the ♡K but West could do no better than return the ♡3 to the ♡J and ♡A. Declarer was within sight of his contract if he could rely upon finding the remaining three trumps with West. He led a small spade from his hand and finessed dummy's ♠9; when this held the trick, the ♠A followed by the club finesse yielded the tenth trick. To an unprejudiced eye the opening Four Hearts appeared to have proved itself a more powerful weapon than the conventional Three No Trumps, but neither bid concealed the probability that West held four spades.

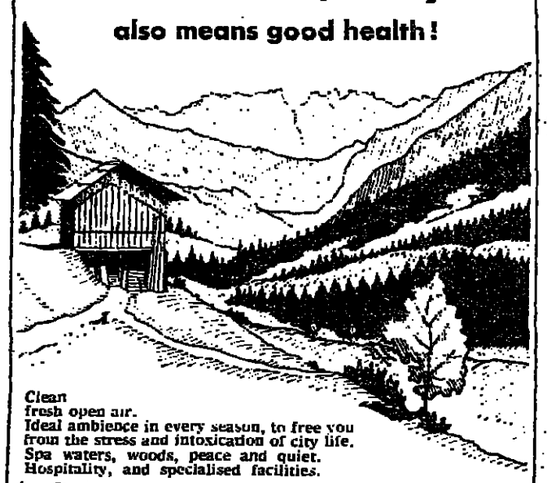
Since reaching this conclusion I am told that I have not pointed out the real advantage of opening with this conventional bid. It leaves the responder free to pass if he thinks that the opener's 7-8 tricks are more likely to produce game in No trumps, while he can play for game in the major suit if he thinks that it will produce the better contract. As in the case of the old-fashioned gambling Three No Trumps, the responder will never be in the wrong major, because if he thinks that the opener should be in Four Hearts or Four Spades he bids Four Diamonds which asks the opener to name his suit. There are no longer any obstructive bids which are effective below the level of four, and that is the reason why every opening is gradually acquiring a secondary meaning which the responder must interpret in the light of his own cards.

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The morality of compromise

by Dr David Owen

These are extracts from an address given by the Foreign Secretary at St Andrew's Church, Plymouth



We all of us compromise in our private lives. No family man or woman can possibly for one moment exist in a family without giving as well as taking; without holding a view and finding it needs to be changed; without bending to the collective view of the family. That is the reality behind family life. And yet, somehow, we do find it rather harder to judge the compromises that we make in private, and accept as everyday and natural and reasonable, by the same standards as those compromises we see exposed to the public gaze. We somehow adopt another standard for public compromise. The politician, in particular, because a lot of his life is lived within the public gaze, faces this dilemma very frequently. The politician's compromises are very obvious, can be seen by everyone, can be dissected, can be editorialized upon, can be scathingly attacked. Indeed there has been a tendency to elevate, possibly to an unrealistic height, the attraction of the man in public life who is the man of principle, the man of consistency, the man of unbending views.

I wish to put to you a different picture—that just as in private so in public the man who is prepared to modify his views, to come together in collective decisions, to support sometimes publicly things which he may have argued against privately, to hold to his principles but not to the extent that they cannot be modified, is not someone who should be abused or criticized. He is in fact doing the very job that you who sent him and put him in public life really want him to do. He has to do these things in the public gaze.

Yet behind this lie much more fundamental attitudes and a more fundamental issue. A nineteenth-century Russian author, Alexander Hertzen, in *From the Other Shore* wrote "do not look for solutions, there are none. In general, modern man has no solutions" and there is much wisdom in those words. As life becomes more complex, more sophisticated, as the inter-relationships between ourselves in our communities and in the inter-relationships and interactions between nations grow ever more complex, it is a strange and perhaps not unreasonable paradox that there is a tendency to try to simplify issues, to search for a simple solution.

The search for a unified solution, absolute values, is not something new. Philosophers, historians, writers, theologians have searched for ultimate truth all through our existence.

I question fundamentally whether there are absolute values ultimately compatible with one another. I question whether there is a single final solution to the problem of how to live. I am very doubtful that there is one objective and universal human ideal. I don't believe there is a fundamental unity underlying all phenomena, a single universal purpose. People have searched for it. At times it has been thought that science holds the key, at other times that religion holds the key and somehow many men have felt their whole life to be the search for some ultimate synthesis.

I tend to believe, perhaps because I am a doctor and as such a behavioural scientist, that human nature and its values, though profound, and even sacred to the individual, are so personal, and those values so unique to the individual that there is not nor can there be absolutes in values. While there are common themes to life, and thankfully a great deal of agreement about values in society, there is in my view an inevitable conflict of values and what is more an inevitable conflict on the interpretation of values. This conflict is to me both natural and right and makes human behaviour unique, satisfying and full of variety.

There has been a tendency to elevate the attraction of the man of unbending views

We can narrow the differences between us and that rightly is the objective of many. We can widen the areas of agreement and that naturally and rightly is the objective of many, but within the human system I believe there is an inevitable tension. If you accept this then you come to the fact, as I see it, that compromise is the bridge. Compromise, far from being the enemy of morality, is its friend.

I am sometimes criticized for talking too much about moral values, for trying to draw attention to the latent altruism that I believe exists within most individuals and which is often insufficiently tapped. I do not believe that the politician or the public man in whatever walk of life can ignore morality and ethics. I do not believe that a country can operate in the world without trying to project abroad its own ethical values, its own moral principles. Once you believe that, and once you say that, you become a victim for those people to whom consistency is itself an absolute value, to whom any deviation from principle is somehow seen as weakness and to those who want to elevate to an unnatural level an inflexible and rigid hierarchy of values.

When I began to speak out for human rights and a policy of human rights to permeate our whole foreign policy, I warned that there was a price to pay—that price was a little inconsistency from time to time. If I had to answer that question in the House of Commons, I would no longer say a little inconsistency, I would say a very great deal of inconsistency. Because those inconsistencies are probed publicly, exposed publicly and often turned against the person who wishes to try to project forward values, there is a danger that people will cease to proclaim principles and values and that because they cannot be consistent and because they cannot always justify every stance against previously stated or previously believed principles, they will cease to inject this particular issue into public life at all.

I am not, as I have made clear, a believer in a Utopian society. I am not one who thinks that there is a single vision, who seeks order in society when I believe that though order is necessary it can never be perfect. I do not seek certainty or conformity because I do not believe that the difficult choices in life allow one to be perfectly consistent. I am prepared to face and indeed to praise the agony of choice that exists in society for each and every one of us. I do not crave the certainty of order. I am not prepared to forgo the independent spirit. I do not want to replace a certain individuality and variety with precision and conformity. I do not see compromise as weakness. I see it instead as a strength.

Let us look at the conflict between the value of equality and excellence. Both are important. Both conflict. I would claim to try at times to espouse both in the full knowledge that they will bring tensions and choices, sometimes agonizing choices. A challenge that is often thrown at Christians is: "How can a Christian espouse the values of Christianity and not be poor?" and some Christians take, nobly, vows of poverty. There are others who, rightly for them because I believe in variety, see the conflicts that come from marriage and family life and seek solace, and often in a religious sense a greater unity with their God, by taking a vow of chastity. I admire them, I understand their motives, I frankly do not envy them, but these are just some of the conflicts which we face.

So I do not support attacks on the compromiser and the compromise. I do not underrate the value at times of the use of expedience or expediency. I do not uphold as an absolute value criticism of the inconsistent or of inconsistencies. I do not believe that contradiction is always wrong. Like most people I suspect the advocacy of a unitary truth. I know in my heart it is too simpliste an analysis, an over-simplification. Many people have grown over the years to realize the dangers of dogma, rigidity, enforced order and regimentation. A single central vision is a characteristic of what I will call the pseudo-religions—fascism, Marxism, fundamentalism and even now astrology. We have had such phases in this country. You could clutch on to something that you knew that was ordered, clearcut, no problems attached to it. But time has shown that none of these things, the pseudo-religions, the pseudo-sciences, none of them have been upheld.

How does the Church fit into this? The church at times has sought for order, has sought for certainty, has sought for dogma and doctrine and in doing so it has given comfort to some and brought agony to others. Slowly over the centuries the churches have grown to see the danger of trying to impose on their believers some rigid pattern. But as in life, the Church has seen the advantages of some order, that a totally unstructured religion, a religion that makes no demand, a religion that has no forms of organization or codes or patterns tends to be a religion that soon dissipates when an individual is under great strain or when a church is under a great strain. I'm not arguing for a religion that is totally unstructured, but it can be said that the Christian Church has always understood that there will be these conflicts and tensions. St Matthew ch 22 v 21 "render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's". We all of us question at times what are the things which are Caesar's and what are the things that are God's.

Anyone who tries to list such categories will soon find himself in an appalling muddle. We know instinctively, and what is more important each individual chooses a different path. For each individual, though there may be agreement on quite a broad measure, there will never be absolute agreement on what are the things that are Caesar's and what are the things which are God's and a religion which

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tries to draw a very clear line on these issues will soon stunt its growth and reduce its appeal.

There were some people who used to believe that it was wrong for a Clergyman to have political beliefs, that somehow he should be above such a sordid thing as politics. I do not believe that politics is sordid. I believe that politics is a noble profession and I do not come among you as somebody who apologizes for being a politician and I certainly do not believe that any one political belief can claim a monopoly of wisdom or can claim that God is on their side.

How have I resolved the dilemma of Christianity? I have found more understanding and more thought-provoking the writings of Kierkegaard than anyone else. He is to me one of the greatest of modern Christian thinkers. The essential core of Kierkegaard's teaching, well identified by Basil Willey in *Christianity Past and Present* and that which in my judgment makes him a true propher of our age, was his insistence that faith depends upon an existential choice. A choice by free individuals to venture or to risk in order to fulfil their needs. Kierkegaard argued that one must not wait for evidence before taking the leap of faith, and that if one does, one will wait for ever.

There is a strand of irrationalism in Kierkegaard's writing, because of an unwillingness to put Christianity within the framework of a dogma, of a doctrine, of a set of rules. Christianity for him cannot be expounded but only lived. Christianity, he argues, is not a doctrine. If it were, he wrote, "the relationship to it would not be one of faith, for only an intellectual type of relationship can correspond to a doctrine". It is essential to my belief, my personal belief, that no man can be argued into Christianity. Christianity is not an intellectual relationship, but a faith. It is not taught, but caught by a spiritual infection from its genuine carriers, and this is I find the profoundest thought in Kierkegaard's teaching and the most relevant to ourselves. Since I reject a system of doctrines and believe that Christianity is nothing of the kind, I find it is easier to define what Christianity is not. In Kierkegaard's teaching, he does not ask "what must I believe to be a Christian?" but "how can I become one?"—a very significant shift of emphasis.

I would like to end with another quote from Kierkegaard: "The pattern must be brought to the fore. To get it made a little bit evident what it means to be a Christian. To get Christianity transferred from learned discussion and doubt and twaddle, the objective into the subjective sphere where it belongs as surely as the Saviour of the world, our Lord God, Jesus Christ, brought no doctrine into the world and never lectured, but as the pattern required imitation".

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Muddling through, with taxes, milk and mischief



Chancellor Schmidt: a compliment for British talent

German admirers of Britain, when they cannot think of anything else to say, usually gush that our politics (perhaps, still, our policemen) are wonderful. Thus it ought to have come as little surprise that Chancellor Schmidt—still, in my book, one of the most engaging English language political performers on television—concluded his talks with Mr Callaghan on the world economy with that compliment for Britain's talent for "muddling through".

He meant, of course, the economy, not a general muddle; and his very important qualification was "if only the direction is right". The way things look to Mr Callaghan, Herr Schmidt seems to have got it right. As the Prime Minister is fond of telling us, the inflation rate, for the moment, is down (or rising less fast); so is the unemployment trend; and so shortly will be income tax. Overall standards of living will shortly be up as reward for the past years of sacrifice.

A world economic summit lies ahead in July with the indisputably vital goal of concerted action by the industrialized West. Any success will be claimed by Mr Callaghan. If this is muddle through it must be working.

The political snag seems to be that any propensity voters once had for rewarding the muddlers seems to have been exhausted from overindulgence. The message emerging from this year's by-elections—excepting, perhaps, Labour's victory at Garscadden in Glasgow—is that whatever personal comfort the Prime Minister is getting for his steadying hand (witness opinion poll tests) is not convertible into party voting. It is always assumed that the reasons lie in the pocket; that people are basically voting against being less well off than expected.

But part of the reason might also be the state of sheer muddle which our day by day politics seems to produce, and the fact that the Government gets the major share of the blame for it. More than most MPs realized at the time they voted for it, the broadcasting of Parliament has sharpened public awareness of politicians' personal foibles as well as the seeming audible disorder of the Commons. The nagging sound from Mrs Thatcher in her necessary aggression at Question Time is news to the nation. So, too, are the hot flashes of irritation from the Prime Minister, for all that he quickly recovers his bonhomie.

While it is true that popularized news coverage of Parliament and politics has always tended to focus on confusion and confrontation and point scoring, it is nonetheless striking, I find, that the decision to go "live" in part of the broadcasting has coincided with a cresendo of muddle.

Consider the past week. There is the secrecy-contempt-leaks muddle, embroiling everyone from the Prime Minister, the Speaker, the Director of Public Prosecutions to newspaper editors at all stations. There is the parliamentary fuss, not easily understood, whether newspapers can report what is actually said on the floor of the House—and a Conservative campaign against the Labour MPs' supposed abuse of privilege in naming Colonel B. To cap it all the Prime Minister angrily announces inquiries to trace leakers and "mischief makers" at the Ministry of Defence on the separate issue of forces pay.

The Prime Minister is evidently hurt at being bounced by what he considers to be an "untruthful" story. And although, as he insinuated in his letter to Sir Ian Gilmour, he has little hope the leak can be traced, he is pursuing it because of what he construes as political mischief in high places. Mr Callaghan will not thank me for the reminder that the rot of Richard Nixon's presidency started with his fury over defence leaks and his vain determination to catch the leakers by bugging their telephones.

One crucial difference is the Prime Minister's willingness, when pressed, to admit publicly to the inquiries. But Mr Callaghan's reactions in this episode are unlikely to enhance his much sought image of genial authority.

There is the tax muddle. A huge volume of ink has been expended (mine included) in describing how Tories, Liberals, and Nationalists intend forcing further income tax cuts into the Chancellor's Budget. If readers have been encouraged to expect that there will after all be less tax to pay at the end of it all, then they may once again be disappointed—with corresponding vexation against the Government. For the issue could well be decided by the votes (or abstentions) of the 10 MPs from Ulster, and everyone had tended to overlook the intellectual rigour of Mr Enoch Powell—and his disinclination to allow the Conservatives to add to the country's deficit.

Other crass examples of muddle abound, especially in knocking the EEC. At the very moment of celebrating the Government's closeness with EEC brother social democrat Schmidt, the Government shamelessly allows it to be believed that "they" are after our doorstep milk deliveries.

For sheer misinformation only the Kremlin could have excelled the willing helpers of our Minister of Agriculture in suggesting that the EEC wanted to take away our milk rounds. It was left to a Conservative backbencher—not his front bench, mark you—to protest that the EEC had proposed no such thing.

But in another sense this Government which, remember, last August put the EEC issue beyond dispute, had to endure another piece of muddle from the irreconcilables inside its own party hierarchy. In one of the most curmudgeonly statements to come from the Labour National Executive for some time, the party, at last, agreed to contest next year's European Assembly election but on the grounds that the party "would not wish to let the mounting feeling of dissatisfaction with the EEC go unrepresented".

At that excess, the muddle list will end for this week. Is it only a continuing function of our "hung" Parliament? Would it disappear once we had a majority government again? There is unlikely to be a test until the Prime Minister thinks he has a chance of winning the general election. Clearly, a better near-national sounding will be given—even at a low turnout—in next week's local elections for district councils in England and the regions in Scotland and, most portentously, the London Boroughs. In the latter, 92 London constituencies will be covered. Of course after previous year's Labour disasters the Conservatives can no longer secure massive gains—but trends will be discernible.

The outlook for Mrs Thatcher as she adjusts her more modest tax cuts to suit the image of fiscal responsibility is that she may have the longer to wait the more her party prospers. Certainly Mr Steel, as the Liberal row continues, cannot want an early election. Nor, temperamentally, does Mr Callaghan. His one hope as said to be that most people agree that they do not want a general election until they have to—which is taken to mean 1979, the end of the term. As things improve they would be hoped to forgive Labour's past. It is the ultimate test for muddle through.

Opening our eyes to the splendours of Blake

Despite all the critical enthusiasm over the Blake exhibition at the Tate Gallery little has been heard of one of the founders of the feast: the William Blake Trust.

Unlike many organizations founded to honour an author or artist, the trust has a creative rather than an interpretive function and this stems from the highly idiosyncratic form in which Blake chose to express himself. No other writer of genius has been so preoccupied with every aspect of the production of his books—plate-making, printing, illustrating, colouring—but while this accounts for the mysterious power that the "illuminated books" exert it also raises some tough critical problems.

In the first place, can William Blake's poetry be judged without taking into account the illuminated setting? In the second place how easy is it for readers to see it in that setting, since the number of copies of the illuminated books is so small? (*Urizen*, one of the most famous and controversial—and one of the splendours of the Tate Exhibition—is only known in seven variant copies.) In the third place, the process of working-up individual books by hand often led to great variations of colour and emphasis, so how can any total interpretation be reached anyway?

Against such a confusing battery of questions the Blake Trust has supplied a bold answer: the provision of minutely accurate facsimiles of chosen copies of Blake's illuminated work. The trust came into existence in 1949 with the prime intention of preparing and publishing a facsimile of "the Stirling *Jerusalem*", the only known coloured edition of the whole poem. By great good fortune it was possible to fund the undertaking through a benefaction from the estate of the great Blake collector W. Graham Robertson and the making and selling of the book—which appeared in an edition of 500 copies in 1951—started a "rolling series" of facsimilies, each one paying its way and allowing the next to be produced.

It is difficult to speak highly enough of the splendour of this work. The method by which its often near-perfect results are achieved is explained in a supplementary exhibit at the Tate Gallery.

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Needless to say such a care for the integrity of Blake's work has stemmed from the uncompromising standards which the trust set itself from the beginning. Its founder is Sir Geoffrey Keynes, who has been indefatigable in sustaining Blake studies for much of this century, and what the trust owes to him as its chairman is matched only by what it owes to Mr Arnold Fawcus, of the Trianon Press in Paris, who has supervised the detailed collotype printing and stencilling that has gone into the making of the facsimiles.

But for these two men, and the amazing generosity of such Blake collectors as Paul Mellon and Lessing J. Rosenwald, who have lent copies of the illuminated books for dismemberment, copying (and subsequent rebinding), the problems for the serious students of Blake's texts would remain intractable.

Discussing with Sir Geoffrey the details of the trust's work, and reading his note on it in the Tate catalogue, one finds that its programme is now drawing to a conclusion. Its most recent publication is *The Complete Portraiture of William and Catherine Blake* (sold for the Trianon Press and the trust by Oxford University Press in an edition of 500 copies at £55 each). Not perhaps as spectacular as the illuminated books this volume nonetheless illustrates the trust's concern to fill out every aspect of Blake's life and work.

The terms of reference of the trust "to make Blake better known by publishing the finest possible reproductions of his illuminated books and other works" are well enough met by the *Complete Portraiture*, but close attention paid to the Tate exhibition may suggest some regrets that the trust is now closing down.

It is true that the major work of bringing out the poetry is done (although a case could, extravagantly, be made for alternative coloured versions of some important books like *Songs of Innocence*). It is true too, that the edition lengths of about 500 copies for most books has established at least a small reservoir of Blake material that the man on the Clapham, the Tokyo or the Sydney omnibus can look at, or even own.

Nevertheless it is surely not being too greedy to hope that some further projects may still be nurtured. Blake's watercolour illustrations to *Comus*, *L'Allegro* and *Il Penseroso*, for instance, may not be "illuminated printing" but they are revelatory examples of his approach to illustration and they deserve to be printed with Milton's texts so that a wider audience can appreciate their distinction.

Similarly, the "large colour prints" of 1795, which may have been planned as a series, relate at many points to Blake's writing and they do exemplify another aspect of his printing rather than his painting. The William Blake Trust has opened more than one generation's eyes to the splendours of his work; perhaps they owe it to future generations not to stop now.

Some idea of the extent of the trust's work—and the remaining potential—can be seen in a new book by David Bindman, *The Complete Graphic Works of William Blake* (Thames & Hudson £20).

Mr Bindman here gives 765 monochrome illustrations showing all the designs that Blake printed, plus many details and variants. As such it may well become a most accessible reference work on Blake and its carefully organized plates are given helpful support by Mr Bindman's introduction and notes.

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Philip Howard on the art form we seem to have forgotten

Medieval effigies come in from the cold

Sometimes we do not recognize art that is under our noses, like Monsieur Jourdain talking prose for 40 years without realizing it. Usually this is modern art, which is not appreciated or valued in the Gadarene commerce of the sale room until the artist is safely and obscurely dead. But sometimes it has been sitting there, neglected and gently decaying, for centuries.

Consider our monumental effigies. If the fifteenth century brass effigy of Richard Beauchamp in Warwick Cathedral were in Italy, it would be attributed to Benvenuto Cellini; people would come from all over the world to pay 2,000 lire each to gaze in wonder at it. Brass-rubbers and rubber-necks do come from all over the world to copy the magnificent fourteenth century brass to Sir Richard de Bushingthorpe in Bushingthorpe Church, Lincolnshire. Few spare a glance for the thirteenth century effigy of a cross-legged knight of the Bushingthorpe family beside him; yet it is a remarkable work of art, and primary historical evidence for the costume and armour of the period. Only one complete armour survives from the fifteenth century anywhere in the world. It is in Vienna, and justly famous. Yet in England we have hundreds of monumental effigies from the Middle Ages in alabaster, wood, and stone. They are the responsibility of the family, if it still subsists, otherwise of the parochial church council.

Effigies are eloquent witnesses of our forgotten past. Many of them are masterpieces of medieval art. But they have been shamefully neglected by British art historians and connoisseurs. We appreciate the exteriors of our medieval churches. We raise £1m to conserve the crumbling gallery of medieval sculptures on the west front of Wells Cathedral. But sculptures from those same workshops survive indoors in mint condition as memorial effigies, and are ignored. The one in Salisbury Cathedral still retains its original paint.

At this point, better late than never, we had better define a monumental effigy as a memorial sculpture, usually life-size or larger, representing a dead person as alive, dead, or sleeping, over or near his or her tomb or sepulchre. It derives from traditional Roman funereal monuments, of, for example, a centurion standing under an arch. The earliest English effigies showed bishops dead but significantly upright under an arch, like the centurions. English effigies were made in all centuries from the thirteenth down to a few bishops and royalties and Lawrence of Arabia in this neglected. The medieval effigies neglected, the medieval effigies in Durham Cathedral were removed in the sixteenth century and turned into tombs for the Lumley family. There was some attempt to study effigies systematically in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, and a number of books were written. The uninformed then assumes that there was nothing more left to say or do about effigies, and forgot them.

Then last year Nick Norman, Master of the Armouries at the Tower of London, decided to do something about memorial effigies, which are an important source for his mystery because of their size and detail. Illuminations of arms and armour in medieval manuscripts are less useful, because smaller. A Dutchman wrote to him to say that he had photographed every English effigy carved before 1300. A woman from New York started to research into effigies. Nick Norman decided to organize a conference at the Tower. It has snowballed. About a hundred people have already accepted, from museums, universities, and workshops working with stone all over the world. Sculpture smooth as monumental alabaster is belatedly being recognized as art. As an ugly omen and evangelist of a new fashion, three fourteenth-century wooden effigies each over 7ft long have been stolen since Christmas. When effigies start appearing in the sale room disingenuously labelled as the property of an unknown gentleman, we shall know sadly that fashion has at last caught up with the old art under its nose.

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AN UNRESOLVED DEBATE

An "extraordinary debate" (to borrow a phrase used by the party press office itself) is now raging within the French Communist Party. This was not generally foreseen, or at least it was not generally foreseen that the world at large would be so amply informed about it. The tradition of the French Communist Party, like that of other Communist Parties (with the partial exception in recent times of the Italian one), is to wash its dirty linen behind doors not only closed but firmly bolted and barred. There used, of course, to be spectacular expulsions of leaders who fell from grace, accompanied by equivalents (*mutatis mutandis*) of the show trials practised in East Europe during the Stalin era. But the real political conflicts leading up to these events were known only to a handful of senior figures in the party. Everyone else was provided only with explanations after the event in the form of reams of invective, most of which clearly had nothing to do with the real issues at stake.

Over the past ten to fifteen years these practices have been gradually abandoned. The last grand expulsion was that of M Roger Garaudy in 1970, and he was actually allowed to defend himself in full congress before being unanimously condemned. But the practice of secrecy has been maintained. In the last two and a half years a series of major decisions, from the dropping of the dictatorship of the proletariat from the party statutes at the beginning of 1976 through the acceptance of the nuclear deterrent last summer to the spectacular breach with the Socialists last autumn, have been taken by a small group at the very top and only subsequently ratified by the party's notionally sovereign organs.

The party leadership clearly wishes to maintain that system in being. On the day after the general election last month it attempted to forestall criticism by announcing that the defeat of the left was entirely the fault of the Socialists. It has since refused to open a general debate on the subject in the party press —especially in papers with a mass circulation — and M Marchais's speech to the Central Committee this week was clearly an attempt to reassert his authority. Whether he will succeed in doing that remains to be seen. But already in the past month there has been an extraordinary proliferation of criticisms coming at once from leading intellectuals, from rank-and-file members, and even from quite senior party officials.

What is wrong? According to M Jean Elleinstein, the party's best-known liberal or "Eurocommunist" intellectual, the trouble is that the party has not carried far enough its espousal of democratic values and rejection of the Soviet model, announced officially at the Twenty-Second Congress in February 1976. "We always stop half way, so that we sometimes disturb the certainties hitherto taken for granted but without winning over or winning back those ex-communists who could be convinced if the party adopted a different mode of behaviour. We are still half way across the ford."

There is much truth in this. Clearly the Twenty-Second Congress, the frequent promises of democracy and free expression, and M Marchais's recent undertaking that whatever happened no one would be expelled, have given party members the appetite and the courage to express their criticisms openly, while the contradiction between these promises and the mysterious, secretive way in which policy is made and then handed down to militants who are expected to explain it to the voters is too glaring not to provoke comment. To a certain extent M Marchais's position is reminiscent of that of Mr Dubcek in Czechoslovakia ten years ago: he has inaugurated a process of liberalization that is on the verge of escaping from his control.

The most striking intervention of all in the debate so far has been the series of four articles published in *Le Monde* this week by M Louis Althusser, undoubtedly the party's best known Marxist philosopher. Unlike M Elleinstein, whose position is more or less identical with that now adopted by the Spanish Communist Party, M Althusser remains a dedicated Leninist. In fact at the time of the Twenty-Second Congress he let it be known that he opposed the abandonment of the formula "dictatorship of the proletariat". Yet he too has implicitly adopted M Elleinstein's slogan (borrowed from M Marchais himself): "we suffer not from too much Twenty-Second Congress but from too little". He too demands that the democratization of the party be made a reality and sets out in devastating detail the inconsistency and absurdity of the recent twists and turns in the party line as they must strike the ordinary member; and he pinpoints brilliantly the basic dishonesty of the leadership in trying to disguise their abrupt change of strategy last summer as a continuation of the previous line, in order to avoid admitting that the previous line had been a mistake. He too insists on the bitterness felt by ordinary workers when they saw the leadership apparently turn aside from almost certain victory, in order to settle accounts with a Socialist Party which any good communist knows is reformist and *not* revolutionary.

Of course the leadership is trying to dismiss M Elleinstein and M Althusser as simply two intellectuals of opposite extremes, like so many who have fallen by the wayside before. And indeed one cannot help wondering why M Althusser has waited so long to describe and to condemn the system by which the party has from time immemorial kept the rank and file isolated from each other and so prevented any organized opposition from growing within the party. But the question remains open whether the leadership's semi-Stalinist response is a viable one, or whether it will not have to move either forward or back.

THE LIBERAL SLIDE GOES ON

The Wycombe and Epsom by-elections have brought further encouragement for the Conservatives, bad news for Labour and positively disastrous tidings for the Liberals. At Wycombe the swing from Labour to the Tories of eight per cent was almost exactly in line with the average for recent English by-elections. At Epsom it was the Liberal who came second in October, 1974, so it would not be relevant to think principally in terms of the swing between Labour and the Conservatives; but there too the Tories increased both their majority and their share of the poll quite substantially. All this simply confirms the belief that it must be in the Government's interest to postpone the general election at least until the autumn, and very possibly into next year.

But it is the Liberals for whom these by-elections provide the starkest news. Their share of the poll fell sharply in both contests, and at Epsom they dropped from second to a poor third. It was that result that was most crushing because if the Liberals are to gain anything electorally from their pact with the Government it ought to be in those constituencies where they had run ahead of Labour last time. That is where they might expect to attract tactical votes from those who had previously been Labour supporters. Epsom was therefore a good test case and the outcome was definitely negative.

It would not be fair to attribute this dismal showing simply to the pact. Liberal fortunes had begun to sink well before that: indeed, one of the reasons why it was considered at the time to be in Liberal interests to make it was that they were thought to be in no condition to face a general election. Whereas they had won over eighteen per cent of the votes in October, 1974, their standing in the Gallup public opinion poll varied between eight and thirteen per cent from then until the forming of the pact in March last year. The party then slipped a bit further still and last month was only 6.5 per cent. The pact would therefore seem to have intensified a decline that had already set in.

That conclusion is confirmed by common observation. The ebb and flow of the Liberal tide in the postwar years has had something to do with the vitality and relevance of the party itself, but still more to do with political forces over which they have no control. They are always likely to do best when disillusionment with the two main parties is greatest, and particularly when a Conservative government is failing to satisfy its supporters. A Labour administration, even one that has had the varying fortunes of this one, did not offer to Liberals the scope they had enjoyed from 1970 to 1974.

But the pact has made things worse for them because it has offended just those disgruntled Tories whom the Liberals must always hope to catch. Erstwhile Conservatives may be prepared to vote Liberal, but not if that means voting to keep Labour in office. This is not to say that the Liberals were wrong to form the pact in the first place. It served a national need in avoiding a general election at an inappropriate time. It offered the prospect, a slim one admittedly, of attracting tactical Labour votes and shaking up the pattern of British politics to Liberal advantage. It was, in others words, a gamble worth taking. But it has not worked in electoral terms.

They may now seek to prolong this Parliament for as long as possible in the hope that something may turn up to rescue them. There might conceivably be a crisis that would discomfort the Government and at the same time show the Conservatives in a bad light. The Liberals might then hope to gain from the general disillusionment. But to wait for that would be a pretty long shot. Their best course in bleak circumstances must be to show that even within the terms of the pact they have not lost the will to fight for their policies. That might not save them from disaster in the election, but at least it would show that they remain a party with a mind of their own.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Maintaining the supremacy of Community law

From the Master of Gonville and Caius College

Sir, Now that professors of law are at last waking up to the constitutional paradox of the European Communities Act 1972, perhaps I might mention that I explained how it could be avoided in an article which you published on April 18 of that year and which was much cited in the debate on the Bill.

In 1972 it was perfectly clear that the surrender of sovereignty was intended, since the Act laid down, in express if inelegant terms, that Community law should prevail over future Acts. But of course this fell foul of the classical doctrine, the bedrock of our constitution, which ordains that Parliament always remains sovereign, can repeal or amend any Act at any time, and that where two Acts conflict, the later must prevail. Judges brought up with this doctrine in their very bones cannot be expected to abandon it merely because one particular Act says that it shall prevail over later Acts, because this is exactly what our most fundamental constitutional rule *forbids*. Possibly future generations of judges might evolve a different policy, but for the time being they would mostly, if I am not mistaken, agree with Lord Denning, MR who said in a case of 1976 that if a later Act of Parliament conflicted with the Treaty of Rome the court would "have to abide by the statute without regard to the Treaty at all".

Government spokesmen skated lightly over this problem in 1972 because they wished to maintain that constitutionally there was nothing very revolutionary in accession to the European Communities, that legally it was like other international treaties, and that the provisions in the Act were analogous to an Interpretation Act and nothing more. In fact they were attempting to make the most profound constitutional change since 1688. By playing it down they put off the day of reckoning which is inexorably approaching now.

The impasse could have been avoided, and could still be avoided, by a simple device. An Act should provide for some small change in the form of every future Act which would, by reference, be taken to mean that the Act should be subject to Community law. For instance, "and in accord with European law" might be added to the conventional enacting words. Every future Act would then bear the stamp of conformity; and at the same time the sovereignty of Parliament would be preserved intact, since the conformity would be brought about by Parliament's own sovereign will in each case. If objection is raised to changing the traditional form of enactment, the answer is that we cannot expect to accommodate the "new legal order" of Community law without doing anything radical. It is not fair just to dump the muddle in the lap of the judges. Constitutional reality has got to be faced.

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From Mr I. F. Fletcher

Sir, Professor Hood-Phillips (April 21) has presented an impeccable summary of the constitutional position as it existed *prior* to our joining the European Communities. But it must be submitted that his letter does not describe the current state of the law. Accession to the Communities necessarily entails a renunciation of legal sovereignty in order to enable the Community law, created by the founding Treaties, to enjoy its intended effects. Thus, accession entails a constitutional modification in any state whose constitution does not already make some provision for the transfer of sovereignty to international organizations.

If we had possessed a written constitution, formal amendment would have been necessary in order to enable us to accede in accordance with the requirements of our own law; but as our constitution is unwritten, no such solemnity was either needed or possible. Nevertheless, the constitutionally competent bodies in this country duly fulfilled all the procedures necessary to enable this country to accede to the Communities, and it must be submitted that, in so doing, they effected a corresponding modification of our constitution.

This accomplishment is commemorated in sections 2 and 3 of the European Communities Act, 1972. If the process was, in Professor Hood-Phillips' opinion, insufficient to bring about the necessary change in our constitution, perhaps he would indicate what further procedures were constitutionally required (bearing in mind that, at that date, the referendum was generally considered to have no place in the constitutional framework of the United Kingdom)? Can the British constitution *never* be modified?

Thus, at the present time, the judges of this country are required, as a matter both of Community law *and* constitutional law, to give effect to Community law, when it is directly applicable, even in preference to subsequently enacted national law. For them to do otherwise would be to involve this country in a violation of Community law. It would, of course, be naive to expect any judge to respond in advance to the hypothetical question of the judicial reaction to domestic legislation enacted in violation of Community law.

Our judges have, over the centuries, been sufficiently astute to avoid any such needless indelicacies. For, under certain circumstances, a negotiated withdrawal from the Communities could be accompanied by an orderly reinvesting in Parliament of our divested sovereignty. Under more bleak conditions, however, a unilateral withdrawal would confront our judiciary with a choice between political reality and (hollow) constitutional legality. One can privately guess at the outcome, and it must be said that, if the judges opted to support the new domestic order, it would not be the first occasion upon which our judiciary have contrived to assimilate what was in reality a revolution, within the appearance of a continuation of the normal order of things.

Yours faithfully,
IAN FLETCHER,
Department of Law,
University College of Wales,
Hugh Owen Building,
Penglais,
Aberystwyth.
April 25.

From Mr Raymond Blackburn

Sir, The supremacy of Community law over even later national legislation has been clear ever since 1964. The case was *Costa v ENEL* (1964 Common Market Law Reports, Page 425). In *Blackburn v Attorney-General* (1971) Lord Denning, MR quoted this case. He had said "we will have taken a step which is irreversible. The sovereignty of these islands will thenceforward be limited". In *Costa* the European Court made the position absolutely clear by saying that Community law cannot be "affected by subsequent legislative acts of the signatories of the treaty". If our courts held otherwise they would be overruled on appeal by the European Court.

The political realities may be different but the legal position was made quite clear and no one dissented at the crucial time ie before we actually signed the Treaty as to the supremacy of Community law.

Yours faithfully,
RAYMOND BLACKBURN,
50 Homefield Road, W4.
April 27.

Academic history publishing

From Mr Richard Ollard

Sir, "Commercial publishers" writes Mr Bradley (*The Times* April 26) "have largely pulled out of academic history". The house for which I work has recently published, among many other learned titles, F. S. L. Lyons's *Charles Stewart Parnell*, Simon Schama's *Patriots and Liberators*, Stephen Roskill's *Naval Policy Between The Wars*, Professor Ashtor's *A Social and Economic History Of The Near East In The Middle Ages*—one could go on, but I think the point is made. In case it isn't, Lawrence Stone, Keith Thomas and Christopher Hill to name but a few historians from Mr Bradley's own university are all published by commercial houses.

I am sorry indeed to hear that Messrs Macmillan are disappointed with Professor Trevor-Roper's sales. I should be glad to relieve them of this anxiety if at any time it became too much for them. That Dr Rowse and Professor Plumb do not sell well will be news in the bookshops.

Has *The Growth Of Political Stability* lingered on the shelves?

Its author has appeared regularly in the bestseller lists for the last six months. His *Four Georges* has sold over 100,000 in paperback and of the volumes of the *Fontana History of Europe* which he has edited and we have published, Professor Elton's *Reformation Europe*—the first title to appear—has sold more than 150,000. The English translation of Professor Braudel's great work *The Mediterranean and the Mediterranean World in the age of Philip II* (two volumes) has gone into three editions in hardback and goes into its third paperback impression in September. That book, it will be remembered, germinated in an unpublished doctoral thesis. Perhaps there is a lesson here.

Yours truly,
RICHARD OLLARD,
Collins Publishers.
14 St James's Place, SW1.
April 27

From Mr Roger Machell

Sir, With all respect to the history editors at Macmillan and Routledge, quoted in Ian Bradley's article (April 26) on the "crisis in history publishing", may I point out that —to mention two of the nineteenth-century figures about whom Mr Andrew Wheatcroft says no good books exist—A. J. P. Taylor's widely recognized life of Bismarck is reprinting and Robert Rhodes James is at work on a biography of Prince Albert.

Nor, in our experience, is it only possible to publish "serious history books" at such a high price and in such small editions that they reach very few readers. Christopher Thorne's monumental study of the USA, Britain and the war against Japan, *Allies of a Kind*, and the recent revised edition of Hugh Thomas's *The Spanish Civil War* prove otherwise.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER MACHELL,
Hamish Hamilton Limited.
90 Great Russell Street, WC1.
April 27.

Verdict against birching

From Mr Colin Bagnall

Sir, The verdict of the European Court that birching is illegal as a degrading punishment under Article Three of the Convention of Human Rights has implications which go beyond the Isle of Man.

Our recent survey of local education authorities' regulations shows that corporal punishment in schools, even if it is not as severe as birching, can be just as degrading and is less rigidly controlled in its application.

Only 19 out of 104 education authorities, for example, require corporal punishment to be in private, as birching has always been; in the rest pupils can be beaten in front of their class or the whole school. Only two authorities have banned the corporal punishment of girls, who were never subject to the birch, and in nearly a third they can be corporally punished by male teachers. The whole ritual of the two punishments may be equally degrading in law in view of the fact that the judges did not consider the state of undress of the offender being birched to be a decisive factor.

The judges' references to the potential adverse psychological effects of birching, the assault on dignity and physical integrity, the anguish of anticipation and the fact that it is not necessary for the maintenance of law and order apply equally to caning.

Four cases concerning corporal punishment in schools have already been brought against the British government under Article Three, and are awaiting consideration at Strasbourg. We have asked the Secretary of State to introduce the legislation necessary to abolish the whole barbarous business if only to save Britain further embarrassment at the bar of Europe.

Yours faithfully,
COLIN BAGNALL,
Honorary Secretary,
Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment,
10 Lennox Gardens,
Croydon,
Surrey.
April 27.

From Mr Nicholas Bourne

Sir, The judgment of the European Court of Human Rights sitting at Strasbourg in the birching case given on Tuesday, April 25, will have come as a surprise to few.

The use of the birch as a judicial punishment is confined to the Isle of Man, Jersey and Guernsey amongst those territories covered by the Court's compulsory jurisdiction and the Court was guided by the practice of other states which accept its jurisdiction.

However, I think two features of the case merit discussion.

Firstly, the court held that the punishment was an assault on one of the main purposes of Article Three—to protect a person's dignity and physical integrity. Now presumably applying this test borstal, imprisonment and even probation would be in contravention of the Convention. Such a position would be absurd as the Court recognized, and some guidance as to what aggravating features take birching into the "degrading" category would have been useful.

The other feature of the case that is of some importance is that the Court expressly countenanced that the punishment was an effective deterrent or aide to crime control. This did not affect the Court's finding, nor under the wording of the Convention should it do so.

However, it is surely desirable that the Convention should be modified to take express account of the position of the victim of the crime.

Perhaps this seeming lack of concern with the position of the victim of the crime (and of the potential victim) is why the Court's judgment is so obviously at odds with opinion on the Isle of Man and probably throughout the United Kingdom as a whole, too.

This is not to suggest that birching is desirable, defensible or necessary, but simply to wonder whether the court in seeking to divorce questions of individual freedom and human dignity from questions of security and law and order will lead similarly to a division of opinion according to whether one considers law and order or individual freedom to be under greater threat.

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS BOURNE,
Department of Law,
Brunel University,
Uxbridge,
Middlesex.
April 27.

Search for British pen

From Mr T. Edward Bevin

Sir, The Prime Minister, and your readers, will be relieved to learn that my search for a British made ball point pen is over. Following your publication of my letter (April 20), I have now been sent and am the proud owner of no less than 27 ball points, all allegedly made in Britain. I shall, of course, use them all one by one—that is after my present French made ball point which I frustratingly had to buy, runs out!

Yours faithfully,
T. EDWARD BEVIN,
Eaton House,
66a Eaton Square,
Westminster, SW1.

Closing Kew Gardens

From Mr Keith Deane

Sir, I wonder if Mr John Parry (April 26) ever thinks as he walks around Kew Gardens (from his address, I assume he does this) on any "ordinary" Saturday or Sunday that staff who work a 40 hour week may regard those days as holidays too? And yet they are working, while he is walking. I wonder if he ever wonders why, that may be?

He seems to know or care little about the reasons for the closure of Kew Gardens on May 1. The attitude displayed in his phrase "The ridiculous decision" typifies one that I as a staff member often detect in members of the public at Kew. It suggests to me a complete misapprehension of what Kew is. It regards the gardens as a park not as a scientific institution or even a Botanic Gardens. It disregards notices to keep clear of newly planted areas. It permits very young children to free range through beds and borders pulling and trampling at will. It uses Kew. It doesn't value the place or learn from it.

But of course this has nothing to do with his or the "holidaymakers" problem on Monday next. Many people may well be disappointed this year, for this one day. But next year it will be as natural as Christmas Day, the only other day of the year that the gardens are closed to the public, and on which, incidentally, some staff still work "behind closed doors."

Yours faithfully,
KEITH DEANE, gardener,
Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew,
1 Rondu Road, NW2.
April 26.

From Mr Keith Civval

Sir, At last we can join with countries all over the world, in celebrating May Day as a national holiday—but not for long it appears. Next year the May Day Bank Holiday will be on May 7 (the first Monday in May). May Day will only be on May Day once every six years or so! Is Whitehall intent on taking the significance out of every national holiday?

Yours faithfully,
KEITH B. CIVVAL,
3 Bridgstocke Road,
Bristol.

Naming of Colonel B

From Dr W. D. Lamont

Sir, Parliamentary privilege has one purpose only, to facilitate the effective performance of its duties. Assuming that this is accepted by the members, we leave them to decide what matters should be covered. Similarly, the judiciary must adopt certain procedures in the administration of justice; and one to which they attach great importance is the *sub judice* rule which lays down the extent to which matters before a court may not be discussed in public. To infringe the rule is a penal offence for members of Parliament as for everyone else. Privilege does not cover the commission of the offence. It only confers immunity from prosecution by the ordinary courts.

Confusion of thought (and an inflated sense of their own importance has led some members of the Commons not only to commit the offence with the assurance of this immunity, but also to challenge the law officers in the exercise of their functions.

To ordinary common sense the position seems to be this: Newspaper reporting of parliamentary proceedings is normally perfectly *legal*, but some cannot be reported without committing a penal offence. Thus, to report a breach of the *sub judice* rule is itself a breach of the rule, an offence committed by the paper. It is under no obligation to report; it is under an obligation to obey the law. For such an offence no privilege—absolute or qualified—can properly be claimed.

Precisely the same terms apply to Hansard. If proceedings were supplied exclusively to members, that would be covered. But Hansard is a publication supplied to the public in general; and to avoid the attention of the ordinary courts it could perfectly well exclude from the published record any item clearly in breach of the law.

Ironically, the Commons' love of publicity has now destroyed the privilege heretofore enjoyed in relation to the *sub judice* rule. Live broadcast is a proceeding in public. It is not essential for the efficient working of Parliament. It is therefore not entitled to parliamentary privilege.

Yours, etc,
W. D. LAMONT,
37 Kirklee Road,
Glasgow.
April 26.

Missing in Argentina

From Dr D. Catovsky

Sir, Thousands of people have disappeared in Argentina since March, 1976; one of them is my brother Hector, age 29, married and the father of two young daughters. Although not involved in any political activity, he was "detained" by plainclothes armed civilians on June 3, 1977. Since then no information has been obtained from the many official and unofficial sources repeatedly contacted by my family. His arrest, like all the others carried out by the "Fuerzas Conjuntas" (joint forces) has never been acknowledged by the authorities.

On April 12, your correspondent reported from Buenos Aires that a list of names of 232 people, previously reported missing by their relatives, has been published by the Federal police. It also refers to a list of 3,340 people held in jails throughout the country, published earlier by the Interior Ministry. However, the latter refers only to those lucky enough to be held legally in prison; less than 100 of those who had disappeared were included in that list according to the Permanent Assembly for Human Rights. The list just published by the federal police is the first hopeful sign so far that things in Argentina might begin to improve. There is a long way to go yet as the fate of more than 5,000 missing people is still unknown.

The international community is entitled to ask for the immediate release of names and persons, especially now that Argentina is preparing to be the host of two major world events: the football World Cup and the International Cancer Congress.

I hope this letter will help to secure the release of those, like Hector, still held unlawfully by their jailers. The degree of human suffering inflicted on them and their relatives is incalculable.

Yours faithfully,
D. CATOVSKY,
Hammersmith Hospital, W12.

Retrospective legislation

From Professor B. A. Wortley, QC

Sir, In your issue of today (April 25), Mr D. R. Myddleton deplores retrospective legislation and Mr R. S. Howard asks if it be not time retrospectively to illegalize retrospective legislation.

In *criminal* matters at least, the European Convention on Human Rights is clear: Article 7 states "No one shall be held guilty of any criminal offence on account of any act or omission which did not constitute a criminal offence . . . when it was committed. Nor shall a heavier penalty be imposed than the one that was applicable at the time the criminal offence was committed." An individual may petition the Commission of Human Rights in respect of a breach of this article; the Commission and/or a member state may, if satisfaction be not obtained, proceed in the European Court of Human Rights against any member state responsible which, like the UK, has accepted the right of individual petition and the jurisdiction of the Court.

Yours faithfully,
B. A. WORTLEY,
24 Gravel Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire.
April 25.

...ive animal exports

...rom Mr Richard D. Ryder

Sir, The recent report by the Departments of Agriculture on the growing export trade in live food animals is a peculiar thing indeed (Yellow Paper, March, 1978). It is written by civil servants and yet it reads like a pressure group document. It purports to provide background information to enable Mr John Silkin to make up his mind on whether or not this cruel trade should be allowed to continue; yet the information provided is clearly biased in favour of the small but powerful commercial lobby which has an interest in the trade.

Common sense dictates, and science endorses, that when animals are transported very long distances severe stress is likely. Yet the report demands factual evidence from the defenders of common sense. This the RSPCA has overwhelmingly supplied in the form of 25 detailed reports of recent consignments of live animals followed by the trained observers of the Society's special investigation unit. They have shown that after a sea crossing, sometimes in force 9 and 10 gales, the animals are transported in all weathers by lorry across the Continent on journeys of up to 48 hours without food, water or rest. In many instances the animals on such journeys are calves less than one week old. Furthermore, there remains uncertainty over the quality of life and slaughter that then awaits them.

The onus of proof should not lie upon us but upon the exploiters. It is up to them to prove that suffering *does not* occur under such stressful circumstances. So what is the evidence produced by the defenders of this trade? Is it carefully quantified empirical data of the standard they demand (and get) from the RSPCA? Not at all. With breathtaking naivety the Ministry of Agriculture admits that its evidence is only "subjective"!

But the arrogance of officialdom does not stop here. The report claims to present the RSPCA's evidence. It does nothing of the sort—it *misrepresents* it and distorts in several different ways by, for example, reducing the total journey times shown, and by giving the totally false impression that most consignments of animals followed by the Society were given food and water en route. It is a serious matter when Whitehall stoops to tactics such as these in support of a sectional interest.

When all is said and done there is no convincing evidence given why the live traffic should not be replaced by a carcass-only trade. Abuses have been allowed to continue despite two previous inquiries, and the RSPCA is now convinced that such a trade cannot properly be regulated. The evidence that the animals are suffering unnecessary fear, deprivation and distress cannot fairly be denied.

There is one further important reason for concern about this report. While making it clear that there are commercial groups which benefit from exports of livestock, it scarcely mentions the overall national economic interest nor that of the consumer; omissions which are very strange if, as some are now arguing, this cruel trade reduces job prospects and increases the price of meat on the home market. These will be matters of interest, no doubt, to the British electorate.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD D. RYDER,
Chairman, RSPCA Council,
Causeway,
Horsham,
Sussex.
April 24.

Equine disease

From Mr Peter D. Rossdale, MA, FRCVS

Sir, Mr Hastings's letter, April 26, emphasizes the small incidence of contagious equine metritis in thoroughbred mares at the present time. This means that there is still an opportunity to keep the disease to minimal proportions. But many veterinary surgeons in practice believe that these ends cannot be achieved unless mares that have been infected with the disease and are therefore a high risk category are subject to artificial and not natural insemination.

The technique of AI is practised successfully on many breeds of horses but is prohibited by the authorities of the Thoroughbred Stud Book. It is clearly time that these authorities modified their attitude to allow the use of AI for veterinary purposes, under strictly controlled and limited conditions. If they do not act quickly, we may find that bureaucracy has undermined the considerable efforts and resources that have been expected to control the disease. Further, it seems illogical that money is spent on routine testing and on research while an important adjunct to prophylaxis is left unused.

Yours faithfully,
PETER D. ROSSDALE,
Beaufort Cottage Stables,
High Street,
Newmarket.
April 26.

COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE
April 28: The Hon Gordon Winter, Lieutenant-Governor of Newfoundland, and Mrs Winter had the honour of being received by The Queen.

The Yang Di-Pertuan Agung and The Raja Permaisuri Agung of Malaysia and The Sultan and The Tengku Ampuan of Selangor visited The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh and remained to luncheon.

Lieutenant-Colonel the Lord Charteris of Amisfield had an audience of The Queen this evening when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Companion of The Queen's Service Order of New Zealand.

Her Majesty was represented by Mr Stephen Miller (Surgeon-Oculist to The Queen) at the Memorial Service for Sir Stewart Duke-Elder (formerly Surgeon-Oculist to Her Majesty) which was held at All Souls Church, Langham Place, today.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
April 28: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips visited Dunbartonshire today and was received upon arrival at Auchentoshan School by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Dunbartonshire (Mr James Robertson).

Her Royal Highness toured Auchentoshan School and Mountblow School and unveiled a plaque to declare open the Allander Sports Centre, Bearsden.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips was entertained at luncheon in Milngavie Town Hall and later left Glasgow Airport in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for Royal Air Force Lyneham.

Mrs Malcolm Innes and Major Nicholas Lawson were in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE
April 28: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this morning at a performance of the *London Experience* in Coventry Street. Ruth, Lady Fermoy and Captain Jeremy Mainwaring-Burton were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
April 28: Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester was represented by The Honorable Jane Walsh at the Memorial Service for Sir Stewart Duke-Elder which was held at All Souls Church, Langham Place, today.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
April 28: Princess Alexandra this morning opened the new factory of Kellogg Company of Great Britain Limited at Wrexham, Clwyd.

This afternoon, Her Royal Highness opened Ysgol Sant Dunawd, the new County Primary School at Bangor-on-Dee.

Princess Alexandra, who later returned to London in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by the Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard.

The Emperor of Japan is 77 today.
Tomorrow is the birthday of the Queen of The Netherlands.
The King of Sweden is 32 tomorrow.
Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones is 14 on Monday.
The Rev J. Elder (brother) and Mr and Mrs A. Elder (brother and sister-in-law) regret that owing to ill health they were unable to attend the memorial service for Sir Stewart Duke-Elder. Professor M. G. Elder and Mr N. Elder (nephews) and their families were unable to be present as they are out of the country.

Running up the blood-red banner of Christianity

The Red Flag, which will fly in many parts of the world and of Britain on May Day, is seen by some as a danger signal. "Let us make one thing clear", stressed Mr Michael Heseltine at the Conservative Party Conference in 1976. "The Red Flag has never flown throughout these islands yet. Nor for 1,000 years has the flag of any other alien creed."

Against this background of blue fear and defensive "Christian" nationalism, we do well to recall what the colour red means to the Christian. It is indeed true to say that the Red Flag is the flag of an alien creed, for nothing is more alien to the present socio-political climate than Christianity, the gospel of universal brotherhood and love. Red is the colour of freedom, of redemption, of Pentecostal fire. It is the colour of the Son of Man whose "blood-red banner gleams afar", the colour of the Word of God whose garments are drenched in blood, the colour of him who came to cast fire upon the earth, who baptises with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Red is the colour of the Divine Fire, the colour of the Spirit.

The Red Flag, far from being a Marxist invention, was the medieval flag of Catholic France, the national standard from Henry I to Charles VII. It was the Red Flag which the rebels of 1848 demanded. But its origins go back into ancient history. In the old mythologies, Minerva and Ceres were the deities who presided over wisdom, art and music, and over manual labour, agriculture and the fruits of the earth. Their flag was red, as indeed they were themselves, so when the musicians went on strike in 309 BC, against playing for low wages before the war-god Jupiter, they marched across the Tiber carrying the Red Flag. When the early Christian martyrs Crispin and Crispinian founded their guild of Cobblers in 280 their emblem was the Red Flag. The flag of an alien creed indeed—it was the flag of subversive Christianity.

It was from within this tradition that Father Conrad Noel in 1917 hung three flags in Thaxted Church in Essex—the flag of St George for Merrie England, the Sinn Fein flag for oppressed Ireland, and the Red Flag for universal brotherhood. But that flag did not contain a hammer and sickle, but the words "He has made of one blood all nations". Noel's action ushered in a dramatic phase in the history of the Christian social movement, which he described in his book *The Battle of the Flags*, 1922.

Last Saturday an act of penitence and cleansing using the Union Jack was held in Hyde Park by Christians Against Racism and Fascism, and this symbolic act was reminiscent of what Noel did 50 years ago. But, said Noel on St George's Day 1921,

> We do not like the Union Jack. . . . We have been carrying the Flag of St George in procession. St George was killed for tearing down an imperial edict published by Domitian the Roman Emperor against the Christians, who then almost entirely belonged to the working classes. He was taken by Englishmen as their patron saint at a time when justice and freedom were intensely desired by them, and his flag stands for those great ideas. . . . Why should not the patriotic festival of St George replace, as it does at Thaxted, the new-fangled festival of Empire, and the cry "St George for Merrie England" drown the bombastic cry of St Jack for dismal Empire.

Alongside the patriotic flag at Thaxted hung the Sinn Fein flag, standing for "the principle of self-determination for Ireland". Both flags, Noel held, symbolized love of country.

But it was the Red Flag which was the bond of unity and which preserved nationalism and patriotism from distortion. "The Red Flag gives balance to this love of national freedom in two ways: it represents the aspiration of labour for equality of men within the nation, and for a federation of nations within a world commonwealth."

This creed is very alien to the racist ideas, the gospel of the "alien wedge", which has corrupted both major parties in Britain in the last decade. It is alien to the false pietism of those Christians who restrict salvation to the individual heart. It is a creed which proclaims liberation for the earth and its people, the setting free of the creation from slavery.

At a period when there has been a marked shift to the right in mainstream British politics, and when the Church of England is too allied with power, wealth and status to offer any real threat to the principalities of the fallen world-order, it is not surprising that the Red Flag should be seen as the flag of an alien creed. But the Russians did not invent it. Lenin and Trotsky simply took it over from the universal tradition of the common people. The Christian Red Flag is the banner of the Son of Man who tears down the imperial powers and exalts the humble and the poor. It is the flag of an alien, the creed of the Divine Alien who hungered and thirsted, had nowhere to lay his head, and died outside the gates of the city.

Kenneth Leech
Rector of St Matthew's, Bethnal Green, London

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. O. Dick and Miss I. M. S. Marx
The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs J. M. Dick, of West Malvern, Worcestershire, and Irene, daughter of Mr and Mrs U. F. Marx, of Coventry.

Mr S. Merren and Miss B. J. M. Krasun
The engagement is announced between Simon, younger son of Mr and Mrs S. L. Merren, of Felpham, Sussex, and Barbara, daughter of the late Mr H. A. Krasun and of Mrs E. B. Krasun, of Wimbledon, London, SW19.

Mr M. R. Morris and Miss J. A. Hazelden
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of the late Major R. G. Morris and of Mrs Morris, of Cranbrook, Kent, and Judith, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. J. Hazelden, of Radlett, Hertfordshire.

Birthdays today

Mr Sydney Box, 71; Sir John Cox, 78; Sir John Llewellyn, 63; Mr Rudolf Schwarz, 73; Mr Jeremy Thorpe, MP, 49; Sir Peter Youens, 62.

TOMORROW: Mr Vernon Bartlett, 84; Lord Diamond, 71; Dame Isabel Graham Bryce, 76; Dr L. Paul, 73; Lord Peart, 64; Lord Saint Brides, 62; Sir Frank Turnbull, 73.

MONDAY: Mr Frederick C. Braby, 81; General Mark Clark, 82; General Sir Alan Cunningham, 91; Major-General W. G. Fryer, 78; Lord Justice Gibson, 65; Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, 67; Sir Edmund Hudson, 75; Dame Felicity Peake, 65; Sir Lindsay Ring, 64; Mr Walter Susskind, 65; Miss Wendy Toye, 61.

Middle Temple

Mr Justice Roderick Smith has been elected a Master of the Bench.

Funeral service

Lord Richard Cecil
The funeral service for Lord Richard Cecil was held at the Parish Church of St Mary and St Bartholomew, Cranborne, on Thursday, April 27, 1978. The Rev Robert Prance officiated, assisted by the Right Rev Victor Pike, the Rev W. C. D. Todd (Rector of Hatfield) and Canon H. Lovell. Among those present were:

The Marquess and Marchioness of Salisbury (father and mother), Viscount and Viscountess Cranborne (brother and sister-in-law), Lord Charles Cecil, Lord Valentine Cecil, Lady Rose Cecil and Lord Michael Cecil (brothers and sister), the Dowager Lady Salisbury (grandmother), Captain the Hon V. Wyndham-Quin (grandfather), Lord and Lady Roderic Pratt, the Dowager Lady Egremont, the Hon Harry Wyndham, the Hon Mrs Colin Chisholm, Miss Zara Pratt, the Rev L. and Mrs Dykes, Viscount and Viscountess Gage, Mr Hugh Cavendish, Lady David Cecil, Mr Jonathan Cecil, Mr Hugh Cecil, Mrs Angelo Hornack, Sir George and Lady Melissa Brooke, M François Darquennes, Mrs Richard Cavendish, Mrs Anthony Sykes, the Hon James Ogilvy, Mr Ned Cavendish.

Lieutenant-Colonel G. A. R. West (Brigadier Major, Household Division), Colonel G. W. Tufnell (Regimental Lieutenant-Colonel, Grenadier Guards), Mr John Mahoney and Mr David Nicholas (ITN), Miss Belinda Stewart Cox, Miss Charlotte Monckton, Miss Sarah Smith-Ryland, Lady Amabel Lindsay, Lady Bettina Drummond Hay, Mr and Mrs Stephen Hastings, Mrs Julian Amery, Mr T. P. Lawler, Mr P. D. Lardner-Burke, Mr Leonard Thompson (representing the Rhodesian Government), Mrs Quintin Crewe, the Earl and Countess of Shaftesbury, Lady Sarah Spencer, Mr E. J. Hodge (representing Rotary Club of Hatfield), the Hon Mrs David James, Miss Kathleen Hadden (representing Gambia Diocesan Association), Lady Maureen Methuen, Miss Caroline Methuen, Mr Simon Bonham, Mr Simon Rasch, Miss Caroline Longman, Lord and Lady Paget of Northampton, Mr R. Loader (Cranborne School), Mr Peter Prosser (Cranborne Middle School), the Dowager Viscountess Hambleden, Viscount and Viscountess Hambleden, Mr Hugh Maude (representing many friends in Rhodesia), Mr Noble (representing Cranborne tradespeople), Mrs Bayes (representing Cranborne First School).

Mr Roger Brockway, Mr and Mrs B. Holland (representing Verwood British Legion), Mrs Isaacs (representing Cranborne Cub Scouts), Lord and Lady Margadale, Mr T. Thorn (representing Thorn Timber Merchants and Edmondsham Church), Mrs Wellesley-Smith, the Hon Mrs Nicholas Beaumont, Mr J. Parsons (representing Cranborne Parish Council), Mr Francis Russell, Miss Keswick, Lord and Lady Lloyd, the Dowager Countess of Radnor, the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland, Mr J. Harper (Boveridge School) with four pupils, Andrew Batlion, Anthony Arnold, Michael Thorpe and Julian Oakley, Miss Sandra Butter, the Earl of Euston, Mr Hugh Cheape, Brigadier and Mrs Gordon-Watson, Colonel Patrick Winnington, Sir Brian Warren, General Lord and Lady Bourne, Viscount and Viscountess Head, Mr and Mrs D. C. Mills (representing Queen Elizabeth School), Mr M. Loader (representing Cranborne Cricket Club), Captain Wiggin (representing Grenadier Guards), Mr F. G. Sealey (representing Upton Oil Company), Mr Ian Smiley.

Mary, Countess of Pembroke, Mr Donald and Lady Cecil Cameron, Fiona, Countess of Normanton, the Earl of Normanton, Mr Dominic Wigan, Commander G. Marten, Major William Seymour, Miss M. Wyndham, Major and Mrs Phipps, Mr Snow and Mr Cattle (Cranborne and Hatfield farms) and their staff, Mr Panument and Mr Edmondson (Cranborne and Hatfield woods) and their staff, Mr Lucas and Mr Elliot (Cranborne and Hatfield maintenance department) and their staff, Mr Dyer, Mr Haskell and Mr Stirling (Cranborne and Hatfield gardens) and their staff, Mrs M. Taylor (Cranborne garden centre) and her staff, Mr Remsley and Mr Collins (Cranborne and Hatfield keepers) and their staff, Mr Fisher and Mr Wilson (Cranborne and Hatfield estate offices) and their staff, Colonel and Mrs Walker (Hatfield House showing) and their staff and household staff at Cranborne and Hatfield.

Memorial service

Sir Stewart Duke-Elder
The Queen was represented by Mr S. J. H. Miller at a memorial service for Sir Stewart Duke-Elder held yesterday at All Souls, Langham Place. Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester was represented by the Hon Jane Walsh. The Rev. Michael Baughen and the Rev J. R. W. Stott officiated. M C. F. Seath, secretary of the Institute of Ophthalmology, read the lesson and Mr T. Keith Lyle gave an address. Others present included:

Lady Duke-Elder (widow), Mr and Mrs K. Elder, Mrs M. Elder, Mr and Mrs K. Bett, Mr Christopher Bett, Miss Hilary Bett, Mr and Mrs E. Simmons, Miss Bettine Simmons, Miss Judith Simmons, Commander Ian Johnston, Mrs D. Beeson.

Marjorie Countess of Brecknock (representing the Chief Commander, St John Ambulance), Anne, Lady Hollenden, Dorothy, Lady Ellenborough, Lord and Lady Porritt, Lord Caccia (representing the Order of St John) and Lady Caccia, Dame Margaret Wakehurst, Lady Sainsbury, the Hon Mrs Eric Hathorne, Lady Walker-Smith, Sir Brian Warren, Sir Louis Gluckstein, QC, and Lady Gluckstein, Sir Charles and Lady Duke, Sir Ralph and Lady Southward, Sir Ralph and Lady Marnham, Sir Brian Windeyer, Lady Goldsmith, Sir Douglas and Lady Logan, Sir Henry Osmond-Clarke, Sir Edwin Arrowsmith (Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind) with Captain Robert White, RN, Vice-Admiral Sir Peveril William-Powlett, Sir Philip Southwell, Sir John and Lady Gutch, Sir John and Lady Elliot, Lieutenant-General Sir William Pike, Sir Ivan Magill.

Mr Michael J. Roper-Hall (president, representing Ophthalmological Society of the United Kingdom, also representing president and council, Royal College of Surgeons of England), Mr Michael Gilkes (representing British Medical Association), Professor N. F. Morris (representing Vice-Chancellor of London University), Professor and Mrs G. I. Scott, Professor H. C. Stewart, Mr Frank Law, Mr and Mrs James Hudson, Surgeon Rear-Admiral Dudley Gurd, Mr and Mrs John Dobree, Mr Patrick Holmes Sellors, Mrs A. J. Boase, Mr Charles Boase, Mr Stewart Perowne, Brigadier J. B. George, Professor Norman Ashton, Rear-Admiral Roger Dick, Mr and Mrs James H. Doggart, Professor J. Gloster (Dean of the Institute of Ophthalmology) and Mrs Gloster with Dr D. F. Cole (sub-dean); the Rev Harold Dodd, Dr Charles Pinckney, Mrs M. Essayan, Mrs H. Seligman, Commander Andrew Rintoul, Mr and Mrs Michael Wheeler, Dr Hugh Clegg, Mr John Goldsmith, Professor David Hill, Mr John Grindle, Mrs S. J. H. Miller, Mrs T. Keith Lyle, Mrs Denis Daly, Mrs A. Charamis, Mrs L. Veniselos, Major Hamish Forbes, Mr A. Tattersall (University College, London), Dr Henry Bunje (Medical Research Council), Mr Francis Cumberlege (chairman, Moorfields Eye Hospital) with Miss M. D. Tickner (matron), Miss B. L. Gosnell (representing Schools of Orthoptics, Moorfields) and Mr Desmond Greaves (chairman, representing medical committee, Moorfields).

Miss S. Dutton (matron, London Clinic) with Mr M. O. Jenner (house governor); Miss Anne Margerison (King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers), Miss Barbara Lee (International Orthoptic Association), Mrs C. Calcutt (British Orthoptic Society), Mr Ralph Bennett (chairman, London Transport) with Dr P. A. B. Raffle (chief medical officer); Mr Bowdler Henry, Mr and Mrs W. G. Scott Brown, Mr and Mrs J. L. Kennerley Bankes, Mr M. B. Coops (British Post Graduate Medical Federation), Mr and Mrs Edward Halliday, Miss Charlotte Halliday and Mr John Reed (clerk, Clothworkers' Company).

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Brigadier J. Hamilton-Jones to be Vice-President of the Ordnance Board, Ministry of Defence, in the rank of Major-General in succession to Major-General R. L. S. Green, who is to retire.
Brigadier Lord Alvingham to be Director Army Quartering, Ministry of Defence in the rank of Major General, in succession to Major-General D. B. Wood, CB, who is to retire.
Dr W. Alan Heaton-Ward to be a Lord Chancellor's medical visitor.
Mr Douglas French to be chairman of the Conservative Bow Group.
Mr David Plank, Research Secretary of the Personnel Social Services Council, to be chairman of the Social Services Research group.
The Lay Observer, Rear-Admiral B. C. G. Place, is to retir ein the autumn.

St Clare's Hall, Oxford

To mark the twenty-fifth year of St Clare's Hall, Oxford, there will be a number of functions to which past students are specially welcome. Those who were at St Clare's between 1953 and 1977 are invited to write to the secretary for information.

OBITUARY

LIEUT-GEN SIR PHILIP NEAME

VC commander bore brunt of Africa Corps

Lieutenant-General Sir Philip Neame, VC, KBE, CB, DSO, DL, who died yesterday at his home in Kent at the age of 89, had a diversified career. In 1914 he won the VC for a deed of remarkable and sustained bravery. He had a wide experience of army staff work in peace and war, and was deputy chief of staff of the British Expeditionary Force in 1939. It was he who met the shock when the Afrika Korps first appeared in the Western Desert with Rommel at its head. He was captured in the retreat through Cyrenaica in 1941, and was for two years and a half a prisoner in Italy.

Neame was a remarkable rifle shot both on the range and after big game, and a first class revolver shot as well; he shot for the British Olympic Sporting Rifle Team, the Army Rifle Twenty and the Army Revolver Eight. He was a successful point-to-point rider, polo player and skier. His great passion was for big game shooting; he shot chamois in the Pyrenees, ibex in central Spain, moufion in Sardinia, tiger and panther in the Indian jungle, and other game elsewhere.

He himself seemed to bear a charmed life. In the 1914-18 War, in which he spent four years without a break on the Western Front, he was never wounded, and in his shooting expeditions he had countless hairbreadth escapes, being once badly mauled and nearly killed by a wounded tiger.

He had a gift for exact planning and organization, which he applied not only to his work as a soldier but also to sport. Before going out after tiger he always rehearsed the beat with his beaters and elephants, he himself acting the part of tiger.

He was a man of small, slender build, wiry and tough; he had great vitality and he showed the keenest zest for everything he undertook. His countenance, which did not often reveal his emotions, was of an almost oriental cast.

Philip Neame was born on December 12, 1888, the youngest son of Frederick Neame, of Faversham. His parents, who were first cousins, were descendants of an old line of yeoman farmers and small landowners recorded as living near Canterbury since the fifteenth century. He was educated at Cheltenham College and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, from which he was commissioned in the Royal Engineers in 1908.

In the 1914-18 War he served in France and Belgium with his corps, as brigade major of an infantry brigade, and on the general staff at divisional, corps and army headquarters, finally as GSO 1st grade. He won his VC in 1914 at Neuve Chapelle, where he held back repeated German attacks, practically single-handed, using bombs which, at great risk to himself, he lit with matches when the fuses ran out. He also rescued numbers of wounded men under heavy fire. He was mentioned in dispatches five times, and awarded the DSO, Legion of Honour, French and Belgian War Crosses, a brevet majority and a brevet lieutenant-colonelcy.

In 1919 he went to the Staff College as an instructor for four years and was then appointed brigade major of an infantry brigade at Aldershot. This meant a down-grading from wartime rank owing to stagnation in promotion. Neame found it too hard to bear, and asked to be transferred to the Bengal Sappers and Miners. He spent the next twelve years in India, in the course of which he served as GSO 1st grade of the Waziristan District, and as brigadier, general staff, of the Eastern Command, and shot big game to his heart's content. In 1936 he went to Lhasa as second in command of a political-military mission, and advised on the reorganization and training of the Tibetan army.

In 1938 he returned home as Commandant of the Royal Military Academy Woolwich. When the Academy was closed on the outbreak of war, he went to France as deputy chief of the general staff to Lord Gort. But, before the fighting began, he was transferred to the Middle East to command the 4th Indian Division. Here again he missed the first fighting, and, before his division went into action against the Italian Army, he left it on appointment as GOC, Palestine and Transjordan.

His chance to take a part in active operations came in 1941, when he was appointed GoC-in-C, Cyrenaica. Graziani's army had been practically destroyed by General O'Connor, and what remained of it had withdrawn beyond El Agheila, over 500 miles westward. But all possibility of continuing the advance into Tripolitania had vanished when the Desert Army was depleted in order to send forces to Greece, and its role was now a defensive one. Neame's instructions were to maintain a static defence and, if the situation demanded it, to fight a delaying action back to Benghazi or beyond. He had an Australian bridgade group and an untrained and badly equipped armoured brigade; he asked for more troops but there was none to give him.

Rommel had been sent out by Hitler with German reinforcements, and soon had three divisions ready for action. Rommel attacked a fortnight earlier than had been thought possible by our intelligence, and, in the course of twelve days, he swept the British forces out of Cyrenaica in a whirlwind campaign. General Wavell was well aware that a withdrawal was inevitable, but he did not agree with Neame's dispositions or his conduct of the operation. He therefore sent up O'Connor to advise him, in view of his lack of experience in desert warfare. But, as our forces fell back in confusion and with heavy loss, both Neame and O'Connor had the misfortune to be captured when their car ran into a German patrol.

Neame was flown to Italy and remained a prisoner until released at the Italian armistice in September, 1943. Three months later, after many close shaves in German occupied territory, he escaped from Italy in company with O'Connor. While a prisoner he took an active part in caring for the welfare of his 25 fellow-captives, among whom was General Carton de Wiart, and he organized a number of ingenious attempts to escape, one of which was successful when six of the prisoners got away through a 30ft tunnel dug under the walls of the Castello di Vincigliata in which they were confined.

In 1945 he was appointed Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Guernsey, and he held this post with distinction for eight years.

He was Colonel Commandant RE from 1945 till 1955 and was President of the Institution of Royal Engineers from 1954 to 1957. He was a deputy lieutenant for Kent and a member of the Governing Body of the Gordon Boys' School. For many years he was honorary Colonel of the 131st Airborne Regiment, RE (T), and of the Kent Army Cadet Forces Regiment, and was President of the RE Rifle Association and the North London Rifle Club.

He published two books, *German Strategy in the Great War* (1933), based on his lectures at the Staff College, and *Playing with Strife* (1946), an autobiography written in secret during his imprisonment in Italy and hidden in a tomb in a monastery when he escaped.

He married in 1934 Alberta, daughter of Albert Drew. Lady Neame survives him with their three sons and one daughter.

LORD RICHARD CECIL

J.A. writes:

Richard Cecil was deeply committed to the Rhodesian cause. Though technically a non-combatant, he always carried a weapon and his death in action was a soldier's death. He believed, as he often told me, that he was risking his life in defence of what he saw as the immediate interests of Britain and Europe and the long term survival of our civilization. Those of us who share his view will see him as one of the early British casualties in what has already become the Third World War.

In a way his sacrifice goes beyond those of Julian Grenfell or Rupert Brooke. He was under no obligation to fight. But like Byron at Missolonghi, he chose to risk his life as a gesture in support of the cause he believed in.

When an unusually gifted man is killed in an accident it is a waste. *When he is killed in* defence of his beliefs it is a tragedy. Richard Cecil was endowed with extraordinary physical and moral courage, with ideals but without illusions, and with a personal charm to which few failed to succumb. Had he been given time there could have been no limits to what the promise in him could have fulfilled. As it was, there could have been no more fitting end than dying in defence of a country to which his family had done so much to build and to which he was himself devoted.

Lady Evelyn Drummond, a former Chief Officer WRNS and widow of Vice-Admiral the Hon E. Rupert Drummond, CB, MVO, died on April 15 at the age of 90.

Mrs Rosemary Walter, widow of Mr John Walter, for many years a chief proprietor and director of *The Times*, died on April 26 in Eire. She was the only daughter of the late J. A. Crawford, ICS, and she married Mr Walter as his second wife in 1939. He died in 1968 at the age of 95.

Mr C. H. L. Skeet, who died on April 20, aged 82, was a member of the Middlesex county cricket team which under P. F. Warner won the county championship in 1920. He played a leading part in the decisive victory over Surrey, when he hit his only first-class century and shared in an opening stand of 208 with H. Lee.

The Rev Geoffrey Shaw, convenor of Strathclyde Regional Council, died in Glasgow Royal Infirmary yesterday, aged 51. A Church of Scotland minister, he worked in the Gorbals, and in 1957 was one of the founders of the Gorbals Group.

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales attends Burma Star Reunion, Albert Hall, 6.45.
Round House spring fair, Chalk Farm Road, 10-11.
Changing the Guard, Buckingham Palace, 4.
Exhibitions: Galicia, Spanish warship visiting London, Tower Pier, 2.30-4.30
Walk: London and the monarchy, meet Green Park station, 2.
Memorial services: Professor E. O. G. Turville-Petre, Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, 2.15; Professor J. Burnaby, Trinity College Chapel, Cambridge, 2.
Steam train in action, Didcot railway centre, Oxfordshire, 11-4.30.
Antiques fair: Royal Western Hotel, Praed Street, 11-6.
Walks: Sir Christopher Wren's London, meet Tower Hill station, 11; Legal and illegal London, Inns of Court, meet Holborn station 2; A Queen's royal progress, meet Blackfriars station, 3; Great Fire of London walk, meet Monument station, 3.

Tomorrow

Historic aircraft flying day: Old Warden airfield, near Biggleswade, Bedfordshire, 10.

Monday

May Fair, Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Hill, 10.30.
Labour Party march, Cleopatra's Needle, Embankment, 1.
Festival for Mind and Body, *Olympia*, 10-9.
Folk dancing: May Day revels, Jesus Green, Cambridge, 11-5.
Morris Dancing: Tower Hill, 3.

Dinners

Old Ipswichian Club
The London branch of the Old Ipswichian Club held their annual dinner at Imperial College last night. Sir Charles Frank, FRS, president, was in the chair and the principal guest was the Headmaster of Ipswich School, Dr J. M. Blatchly.

Montgomeryshire Society
The Montgomeryshire Society held their annual dinner last night at the Commonwealth Institute. The principal guests were Sir Alun Talfan Davies, QC, who proposed a toast to the society, to which Mr David H. O. Owen, president, replied, and Dame Eva Turner, who responded to a toast to the guests proposed by Mrs E. F. W. Francis, president-elect.

Faculty of Architects and Surveyors
The annual dinner of the Faculty of Architects and Surveyors was held at the Portman Hotel yesterday. Mr T. D. Ricketts, president, was in the chair, and Mr D. C. Bray, Commissioner for Hongkong, also spoke. The guests included:
Lord Wakefield of Kendal, the Chairman of the GLC, Mr Maxwell Smith, Mr W. L. Jacob, Mr C. Tippett, Mr J. W. Stenton, Mr V. F. Walker and Mr N. Royce.

Frame-Work Knitters' Company
The Court of Assistants of the Frame-Work Knitters' Company at their meeting at Haberdashers' Hall yesterday afternoon elected Mr J. M. S. Whitehead as Master and Mr F. A. Moody and Mr C. B. Byford as Wardens. The Master presided at a dinner held in the evening, when the speakers were Sir Denning Pearson, Canon E. N. Devenport, Mr Patrick Corah, Mr Peter Morley, Mr Martin Ritchie and the Master.

Concrete Society
The President of the Concrete Society, Mr Bryan Jefferson, received the President of the Fédération Internationale de la Précontrainte, Professor Ben Gerwick, and members of the *FIP* administrative council at a dinner held last night at 30 Pavilion Road on the occasion of the eighth congress of the FIP.

Frogs' Cricket Club
One hundred and eighty-nine members and guests celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Frogs' Cricket Club at a dinner held last night at the Café Royal. Mr D. K. Fasken presided. The guests speakers were Mr E. W. Swanton and Mr George Cox, and Mr J. A. Bailey replied for the club.

HAC
The St George's dinner of the Honourable Artillery Company was held last night at Armoury House. The American Ambassador was the guest of honour and proposed the toast to England. Other guests were:
The Lord Chancellor, the Bishop of London, Sir Michael Palliser and Colonel J. Lynch, Jnr.
Prince Michael of Kent attended as a member of the company. General Sir Victor FitzGeorge-Balfour, president, was in the chair.

HQ 14th Army/3TAF/Chinthe
The annual dinner of the HQ 14th Army/3TAF/Chinthe Officers' Dinner Club was held last night at the Naval and Military Club. Air Vice-Marshal Sir Bernard Chacksfield presided and General Sir Philip Christison and Colonel Viscount Slim were the guests of the club.

Royal Army Pay Corps
The annual dinner of the Royal Army Pay Corps Regimental Association was held at the Victory Services Club yesterday evening. Among those present were:
Major-Generals J. C. Cowley (president), Sir Raymond Coate, Sir Hamish Campbell and K. Sanders.

Service dinners

Royal Corps of Naval Constructors
The Royal Corps of Naval Constructors held their annual dinner at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich, last night. Mr R. J. Daniel, Director General Ships and head of corps, presided. The guests included Sir Clifford Cornford, Chief of Defence Procurement, representatives of British industry and of the Royal, Commonwealth and allied Navies.

Yorkshire Universities Air Squadron
Yorkshire Universities Air Squadron held their annual dinner in the officers' mess, RAF Finningley, last night. The guest of honour was Mr Alan E. Bristow. The Deputy Commandant RAFC Cranwell and other senior RAF officers and university staff were among those present. Squadron Leader R. B. Lloyd presided.

Sandhurst entry

The following officer cadets will join the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst on May 2:

S. D. Ambidge, Berkhampstead S; B. B. Archer, King's C, Taunton; J. P. Annitage, King's, Canterbury; T. J. Atkin, Rugby; S. C. T. Atkins, Milton Abbey S, Dorset; C. E. Austen, Rugby S; N. R. Balmer, Ansdell SM, Lancs; R. J. Barker, The Skinner's S, Tunbridge Wells; G. P. Barlow, St Boniface C; P. J. Bateman, Dean Close S, Cheltenham; R. S. W. Bell, Stowe; M. J. Bennion, Wade Deacon GC, Lancashire; C. I. Blake, Theale Green S, Reading; T. Breitmeyer, Winchester; J. Brown, King Edward VI S, Stafford; P. J. Brown, Queen Elizabeth GS, Derbyshire; J. W. Bulbeck, St Joseph's C, Suffolk; C. A. Bullied, Ardingley C; J. A. H. Burnett, Robert Gordon's C; J. A. Butcher, Stonyhurst C, Lancashire.

N. Campbell, Heysham HS, Lancashire; R. Campbell, Trinity S, Croydon; J. R. Cattell, Charterhouse; N. R. L. Cawley, Worth S, Sussex; G. P. Chambers, Ellesmere C; M. A. Chapman, Queen Elizabeth GS, Yorkshire; M. J. C. Chatwin, Eton; R. A. Chesworth, Rydal S, Colwyn Bay; J. W. Clark, Friends S, Brookfield, Wigan; S. J. Coleman, Audley Park SM, Torquay; M. R. Corelli, Ampleforth; D. Coward, Colfe's S, London; S. Davies, Bishop Rawstorne HS, Lancashire; A. K. F. Dod, Tonbridge S; R. G. Drax, Harrow; P. A. Duncan, George Watson's C, Edinburgh; S. J. Dunne, Handsworth GS.

M. W. Edwards, Esher Co GS; J. J. Edmonds, Repton S, Derby; R. R. Farley, Harrow; P. J. Farrelly, Downside Abbey S, Bath; S. C. Fenwick, St Peter's S, York; J. Ferguson, Worth S, Crawley; W. G. Ferguson, Ampleforth C; A. P. Fowle, Clifton C, Bristol; J. G. T. Frankland, Claymore S, Dorset; R. D. Freeman, Dursley GS, Gloucester; R. J. French, Welbeck C; P. F. Gedge, The Paston S, Norfolk; A. J. C. Gibson, Rannoch S, Perthshire; S. A. E. Good, Gresham S, Norfolk; C. H. Gould, Hurstpierpoint C; E. H. Hannier, Wellington C; T. J. Harbinson, Grosvenor HS; I. A. Harknell, Midhurst GS, Sussex; T. P. Heaton, Harrow; M. G. Hone, Winchester; R. E. Horner, King's S, Canterbury; M. R. C. Hutchings, Chigwell S, Essex.

S. A. Innes, St Christopher S, Herts; G. E. Jessel, Milton Abbey S, Dorset; S. D. Jewell, Poole GS, Dorset; S. G. Johns, Llanishen HS, Cardiff; P. G. J. Keating, Kings, Cutersloh, Germany; C. d'OM Kay, Humphry Davy GS, Penzance; M. J. Kelly, Synge Street CBS; T. G. Kidwell, City of London S; P. J. King, Gillotts's SM, Henley-on-Thames; T. M. Lanigan O'Keefe, Downside S; M. J. Larcock, Uppingham S; S. S. Leadsom, Ardingly C, Sussex; J. P. Lenanton, Haileybury C; N. J. Lee, Lutterworth GS, Leicestershire; A. R. Leslie-Melville, Gordonstoun S; S. J. Logan, Blackfyne GS, co Durham; I. R. MacDonald, Edinburgh Academy; R. W. Malcolm, Eton; M. G. R. May, Ampleforth C; W. Molesworth-St Aubyn, Harrow; P. J. Morling, St Josephs C, Suffolk; H. W. Neathercote, Uppingham S; S. W. Neish, Harris Academy, Dundee; D. A. Openshaw, Turton HS, Manchester; R. W. Pilkington, Oundle S; N. I. Podmore, Marlborough C; M. Prior, Beauchamp C, Oadby, Leicestershire; R. Pugh, Epsom C, Surrey; I. D. Raynes, Farnham C, Surrey; P. S. Rechal, RAF Khormaksar, Aden; R. Reeves, Welbeck C; M. K. O. Richardson, Harrow; P. E. Ridgway, Felsted S, Essex; S. D. C. de Rouper, Oratory S; A. G. Rowe, Worcester Royal GS.

J. M. R. Sayer, Dauntsey's S, West Lavington; C. F. Scully, Belmont Abbey S, Hereford; T. F. Sinclair, Army Apprentice C, Aborfield; N. A. Smith, Harrogate GS; G. F. Smyth, Seaford C, Sussex; P. D. Sperry, Hutton GS, Preston; O. H. Stanley, Harrow; M. W. Stilwell, Oratory S, Reading; P. J. Stringer, Midhurst GS; N. E. Swan, Hurstpierpoint C; P. A. Taylor, Kettering GS; B. Todd, Bournemouth S; J. A. Troup, Monkton Combe S, Bath; D. P. Turner, Sarum Westwood St Thos S, Salisbury; A. M. C. Uloth, Sherborne S; M. L. B. Varney, Charterhouse S; A. O. McC. Waddell, Oundle S; A. L. Ward, Great Baddow CS, Chelmsford; E. J. Ward, Humphy Davy GS, Penzance; N. E. Ward, Bradfield C; P. F. H. Warner, Kings S, Worcester; the Hon T. P. Watson, Eton; T. P. Watton, King Edward IV HS, Stafford; D. M. D. A. Wheatley, Downside S, Bath; M. G. Williams, Ellesmere C; J. S. Willis, Cottenham Village C, Cambs; A. J. Wood, Rockwell C; I. K. Wright, Heversham GS, Cumbria.

25 years ago

From The Times of Wednesday, April 29, 1953
The Minister of Food, Major G. Lloyd-George, announced in London yesterday that the carcass meat ration will be increased from 1s 9d to 2s a week on May 17. The Minister, who was speaking at the annual conference of the Conservative Women's National Advisory Committee, said that he would also be releasing a quantity of canned corned beef for sale off the ration in the near future. Referring to sugar, he said that it would be taken off ration at the earliest possible moment. There were a series of physical difficulties in getting the quantity necessary for distribution. He would have liked to deration it by the soft fruit season, but this he could not promise. He would make a little further distribution whenever he saw the chance. "I hope", said Major Lloyd-Geoge, "that by next year we shall be nearer still to complete freedom and abolition of the ration book".

Latest wills

Mr Edmund Thomas Raithby Pearce, of King's Lynn, Norfolk, left £18,219 net. He left all his property to the RSPCA.
Ada Julia Brookes, of West Ewell, Surrey, left £16,873 net. She left all her property to the Royal National Institute for the Blind.
Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Beattie, Mrs Honor Mary, of Oxford £145,546
Sargant, Mrs Tessie Evelyn, of Ascot, Berkshire £227,805

Services tomorrow: Fifth Sunday after Easter

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC, 8; M, 10.30, Rev M. Moxon, TD and Jub (Britten in C); HC, 11.30, Mass for Five Voices (Byrd); Int, Purest and highest (Stanford); E, 3.15, Canon Evan Pilkington, Mag and ND (Stanford in B flat), A, Above all praise and all majesty (Mendelssohn).
WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC, 8; M, 10.30, Ben (Britten, short), O most merciful (Bullock), Canon E. G. Knapp-Fisher; Sung Eucharist, 11.40, Litany (Byrd), Byrd and Durufle; Evensong 3, First Service (Shepherd), Thou visitest the earth (Greene), Rev I. G. C. Tinsley; Organ recital, 6.5; E, 6.30, Canon Trevor R. Beeson.
SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: Eucharist, 11, Missa brevis in C (Mozart), A, Ave verum (Mozart), Canon [illegible]; Evensong, 3.30, [illegible] in E, A, Ye choirs of new Jerusalem (Stanford), Canon Peter Pelz[illegible].
THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL AT ST JAMES'S: HC, 8.30; M, 11.15, A, Thou visitest the earth (Greene), Dr [illegible].
THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY (public welcomed): MP, 11.15, [illegible] (Britten), Canon [illegible] A, Beati quorum (Stanford); HC, 12.30.
ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich (public welcomed): HC, 8.30; Parish Communion, 11, Rev J Oliver.
GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks: HC, 8, noon and 6.30; M, 11, Rev P B. Denton.
HM TOWER OF LONDON: HC, 9.15; M, 11, Jub (Gibbons, short), A, Ecce tu pulchra es (Philips), the Chaplain.
TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street (public welcomed): HC, 8.30; MP, 11.15, TD (Marchant in G), Jub (Britten in C), A, O thou sweetest source of gladness (Wood), the Master.
ROYAL HOSPITAL, Chelsea (public admitted): HC, 8.30 and noon; Parade Service, 11, A, Sing joyfully (Byrd), Rev E. W. Evans.
ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) (public welcomed): HC, 8.30 and 12.15; M, 11, Ven P. Mallett (Noble in B minor), On thee each living soul awaits (Haydn); E, 3.30, Resident Chaplain, Dedication of 441 Squadron Crest Collegium Regale (Howells), We wait for Thy loving kindness (McKie).
CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace (public welcomed): M, 11, TD (Boyce in A), A, The eyes of all (Harris); E, 3.30, Mag and ND (Blow), A, Oquam gloriosum (Byrd).
ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Eucharist, 11, Rev M Forrer.
ALL SAINTS', Margaret Street: LM, 8 and 5.15; HM, 11, Rev A. W. Klukas, Missa brevis in G (Mozart); E and B, 6, Rev M. Shaw, Collegium Regale (Howells).
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: HC, 8.15; Sung Eucharist, 11, Rev D R. Thurburn-Huelin (Harris in F), King of glory (Bach).
HOLY SEPULCHRE, Holborn Viaduct, Sung Eucharist, 9.15, Canon R. Tydeman.
HOLY TRINITY, Brompton Road: HC, 8 and 12.15; HC (Sung), 9 am; M, 11, the Vicar; E, 6.30, Rev S. Millar.
ST ALBAN'S, Holborn: LM, 8 and 5.30 pm; SM, 9.30; HM, 11 (Malcolm in D flat), Blessed be the God and Father (Wesley).
ST BARTHOLOMEW-THE-GREAT PRIORY (AD 1123): HC, 9; M, 11 (Hunt in C), A, Sicut cervus (Palestrina) and E, 6.30 (Hunt in C), A, Sitivit anima (Palestrina), the Rector.
ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street: HC, 8.30; Choral M and Eucharist, Prebendary Dewi Morgan, Jub, Collegium Regale (Howells); Choral, E, 6.30, Mag and ND, Collegium Regale (Howells).
ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square: HC, 8.15; Sung Eucharist, 11, Prebendary D. W. C. Mossman (Nourse in E), Mot, Ave verum corpus (Byrd).
ST JAMES'S, Piccadilly: HC, 8.15; Eucharist, 9.15, Rev J. L. W. Robinson; Sung Eucharist, 11, Mass in four parts (Byrd), Rev B. Morrison; E, 6, Rev W. P. Baddeley.
ST MARGARET'S, Westminster: M, 11, TD (Britten in C), A, The heavens are telling (Haydn); HC, 12.15, Canon John A. Baker.
ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: Family Communion, 9.45, the Vicar; M, 11.15, Rev A. Couch; E, 6.30, Mr N. Ingram-Smith.
ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington: HC, 8 and 12.30; Sung Eucharist, 9.30, Rev I. L. Robson, M, 11.15, Let thy merciful ears (Mudd) and E, 6.30, Give us the wings of faith (Bullock), Rev A. F. Davis.
ST MARYLEBONE PARISH CHURCH: HC, 8, 11, Rev P. Harding, Missa brevis (Palestrina), Jubilate Deo omnis terra (Lassus); E, 6.30.
ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square: HC, 8.15 and 12.15; M, 11, Rev E. G. H. Saunders; 6, Rev A. G. C. Pearson.
ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge: HC, 8 and 9; Solemn Eucharist, 11, Missa Oquam gloriosum (Victoria), Canon Gerald Parrott.
ST PAUL'S, Bedford Street, Covent Garden: SE, 11.15, Rev J. Arrowsmith.
ST PAUL'S, Robert Adam Street: M, 11, Rev R. K. Townley; 6.30, Bishop Goodwin Hudson.
ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chelsea: HC, 8; MP, 11, Rev P. Lange; E, 6.30.
ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road: LM, 8 and 9; HM, 11, Missa brunnica (Harrison), Rev D. Priest; E and B, 6, Rev H. Moore.
ST VEDAST, Foster Lane: SM, 11, Canon French-Beytagh, [illegible] (Haydn), Mot, O felix Maria (Clérambault).
ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland) Pont Street: 11 [illegible], Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey; [illegible] Rev W. A. Cairns.
CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church of Scotland), Russell Street, Covent Garden: 11.15 and 6.30, Rev J. Miller Scott.
THE ORATORY, SW7: SM, 11, Missa da [illegible] (Cererols); V and B, 3.30, [illegible] (Lotti).
[illegible], Warwick Street: SM, 11 [illegible] (Lassus).
ST PATRICK'S, Soho Square: SM, [illegible] (Viadini), [illegible] (Richafort).
ESSEX UNITARIAN CHURCH: 11 am [illegible] both theists and humanists, 112 Palace Gardens Terrace. [illegible]
THE JESUIT CHURCH, Farm Street: Mass 7.30, 8.30, 10, 11 (Sung Latin), 4.15 and 6.15; Noon, Father Peter Blake, "God Will Provide?"
REGENT SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (United Reformed), Tavistock Place: 11 [illegible] 6.30, Dr Daniel Jenkins.
CENTRAL HALL, Westminster: 11 and [illegible] M. Barnett.
[illegible] HALL, WC (West London [illegible]) and 6.30, Rev Lord Soper.
[illegible], Holborn Viaduct: 11 [illegible] 6.30, Rev Dr Brian Johanson.
[illegible] CHAPEL, Buckingham [illegible]: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr R. T. [illegible]
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US prime rates raised to 8¼pc after Fed moves to tighten credit

From Frank Vogl
Washington, April 28

Chase Manhattan Bank, the third largest bank in the United States, today increased its prime commercial lending rate to 8¼ per cent from 8 per cent, the first prime rate rise by a major bank since January 10.

Many other banks followed Chase's lead and it seems probable that some may decide on a higher prime rate before long.

Today's increase followed new credit tightening moves by the Federal Reserve Board, which are a direct response to the rising trend of inflation.

The Department of Labour announced that consumer prices in March rose by 0.8 per cent on a seasonally adjusted basis, after an 0.6 per cent gain in February.

Consumer prices have advanced at an annual rate of close to 9.3 per cent in the first quarter of this year, compared with an annual rate of 4.9 per cent in the previous quarter.

The Fed has been active in the money markets, but it has allowed the rate for federal funds—the key short-term rate that tends to influence the trend of all other short-term interest rates—to rise to 7¼ per cent. Many dealers believe the Fed will allow it to advance to 7½ per cent.

Most commercial banks strive to hold their prime rates at least 1 per cent to 1¼ per cent above the federal funds level.

Mr William Miller, chairman of the Fed, has repeatedly stated that inflation is worse than he expected and that the Fed would move swiftly to counter a rising trend.

The tighter money policies are happening despite the fact that money supply growth is well within the Fed's target ranges. M1 is growing at an annual rate of 5.2 per cent in the three months to April 19, while M2 has expanded at an annual rate of 6.5 per cent, according to new Fed data.

The stock markets gave a mixed reception to today's news after a fairly sharp decline after profit-taking, in share prices yesterday. Brokers continue to be divided on the market's outlook and the implications of today's developments.

Some brokers suggest that share prices will decline significantly on account of inflation fears and the rising interest rates, while others contend that the interest rate moves will strengthen the dollar, which in turn will lend support to higher share prices.

Share prices on Wall Street reversed Thursday's slide, with the Dow Jones industrial average climbing 10.40 points to 837.32. Volume totalled 32.8 million shares.

Consumer price increases continue to be mostly affected by unusually sharp gains in food prices, which rose at a seasonally adjusted rate of 1.3 per cent in March, after gaining by 1.2 per cent in each of the previous two months.

The Department of Labour stated that consumer prices rose by 6.5 per cent over the past year. It added that the recent large rises had significantly eroded real earnings, with real spendable incomes advancing by a seasonally adjusted 0.2 per cent in March, following a gain in February of 0.3 per cent.

Such large banks as Marine Midland, Bank of New York and European-American Bank, swiftly followed Chase's prime rate move, although Citibank decided to hold to 8 per cent for the time being.

Most banks change their prime rate on the basis of general cost of money conditions and the strength of loan demand, but Citibank tends to adjust its prime rate in line with a fairly rigid formula, which calls for a 1½ per cent spread between the prime and the three-week average rate on a 90-day commercial paper.

By maintaining this formula Citibank often tends to be the first to raise its prime rate when short-term interest rates are moving ahead, but when general loan demand is weak.

However, at times like now, when short-term rates advance very rapidly and when loan demand is fairly strong, the Citibank moves tend to come somewhat later than prime rate adjustments by other banks.

The dollar firmed in the New York foreign exchange market after the prime rate increases were announced. The increases do, however, result as a rule in upward adjustments in mortgage rates and several mortgage bankers criticized the Fed and noted that a 10 per cent mortgage rate would now become widespread and this could seriously dampen housing demand.

BNOC chief replies to 'sniping' by oil groups

By Peter Hill

Oil companies operating in the North Sea were accused yesterday of attempting to influence the press and, through it, voters and politicians, by their sniping at the activities of the British National Oil Corporation.

The attack was launched by Lord Kearton, BNOC chairman, in defence of its role in the development of Britain's offshore oil and gas reserves.

BNOC has been accused by two leading North Sea companies in the past few weeks of slowing down the rate of development, and undermining the competitiveness of private-sector oil companies.

Mr George Keller, a senior executive of Chevron, said recently that BNOC had become an albatross around the necks of the oil companies which wanted to press on with their offshore developments.

Subsequently Mr Robert MacAlister, president of Occidental International, in a letter to employees, said his company's management regarded the activities of BNOC as part of an unpublicized socialist plan to put others out of business.

Speaking yesterday in Glasgow at a press conference following BNOC's monthly board meeting, Lord Kearton said he was not surprised at the sniping.

He did not believe the last of this criticism had been heard, but he stoutly defended the Government and BNOC.

The Government had been "extraordinarily scrupulous and extraordinarily honest" in living up to the pledges given to the oil industry at various times, he claimed.

He accused the oil companies of trying to influence press and political opinion in Britain through their campaign. It was all part of the system they employed, he said, but it was something they would not get away with in Norway for obvious reasons.

Equally, it was but a tiny reflection of what went on in the United States, where oil companies advertised extensively denouncing the President who in turn held press conferences to attack the oil companies.

"We have an excellent relationship with Occidental. I also believe the Government has a great regard for the company.

"After two-and-a-half years I think we would have been very much worse off if we did not have an independent voice. I am not criticizing the oil companies."

He also said that BNOC's financial results would be published on May 18. The corporation was still losing money but the loss was substantially down on that of last year, and the high rate of spending had been reduced.

800 jobs to go in BHS food closures

By Edward Townsend

British Home Stores is to close 18 food departments and three cafés, all loss-makers, in its national chain of 103 stores. The decision could result in up to 800 redundancies.

The company said the affected food departments were uneconomic and the closures were because of lack of space for expansion and the consequent inability to provide a comprehensive food range. A similar shortage of space in the three obsolete cafés prevented the company offering the standards and service "which are both profitable to the company and satisfactory to the customer".

Sections to be closed are in stores in different parts of the country and are operated largely by part-time staff.

The company estimates that 60 per cent of the 800 workers affected are part-time and Saturday-only employees. A spokesman said that after offering alternative employment and natural wastage, the final redundancy total would be much less.

In a statement, the company said it had satisfied national officials of the Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers that the action was unavoidable and that the terms of any redundancies were favourable.

Release of the space would enable the company to increase the range of non-food merchandise but it was expected that after the completion of the rationalization programme the food and restaurant business would still represent a quarter of the company's turnover.

BHS, which is due to announce its annual results next month, made a pretax profit of £25.5m in 1976-77, an increase of £3.6m on the previous year.

The pretax figure for 1977-78 is expected to be close to £30m.

Sir Jack Callard, presenting his first statement as the BHS chairman last year, said: "Our departmental performance reflected the change in the pattern of consumer spending. The purchase of essential foods must be the priority for the housewife whose own spending power has not kept pace with price increases.

"Our food departments, together with our customer restaurants, have continued to make significant progress, reflecting the excellent quality and value of the food we sell."

BHS is to open two stores in the next few months which will have food and catering departments: a Dundee store, to be opened on May 16, which will have a restaurant and a food section, and a store in Barnsley, which opens on June 20.



Sir Jack Callard: food departments made significant progress

British Rail drops its call to curb road rivals

By Michael Baily
Transport Correspondent

In a policy reversal, British Rail has dropped its pressure for restrictive licensing on lorry competition.

In its evidence to the Foster Committee, inquiring for the Department of Transport into road haulage operators' licensing, there is no mention of "quantity licensing" to curb longer distance road freight hauls. Nor is there any mean of restricted entry into road haulage, both of which the railways advocated until recently in an effort to stem the loss of traffic to road.

Instead, "given that the board itself has a fully commercial freight remit, it believes there should be free competition for inland freight transport within a framework of harmonized competitive conditions", BR's evidence concludes.

Behind this change of heart lies a new-found confidence at British Rail headquarters BR both in its new, more efficient freight services, such as Speedlink express freight trains and TOPS computer control of freight wagons, and in its better marketing.

Another factor is the enormous waste of time and manpower in objecting to haulier applications at licensing hearings.

These are believed to have cost British Rail several million pounds a year for somewhat doubtful benefits in the past.

"Given fair and equal terms—which we are by no means certain exist at the moment, particularly for the heaviest lorries—we are fully prepared to win our share of the market in open competition with the road haulage industry", a BR spokesman said last night.

On road safety and protection of the environment, the board tells the Committee, under Professor Christopher Foster, that in its view both causes would be better served by more effective enforcement of existing legislation rather than by "overloading" it with new regulations.

Gatt fear of 'relapse into economic nationalism'

Geneva, April 28.—Pressure for trade protectionism has reached a level in recent months not experienced for more than a generation, according to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Reporting on its 1977 activities, Gatt says 1978 is a crucial year for long-running multilateral trade negotiations under Gatt auspices and there are "great dangers of a relapse into economic nationalism".

It says international trade continued to expand in 1977, reaching a total value of $1,100,000m (about £6,000,000m)—a volume growth of about 4 per cent over 1976.

This growth slowed down in the latter half of 1977, leaving the 1978 trade outlook "particularly uncertain" and giving the Tokyo Round of negotiations greater importance than before.

"Even if growth picks up", says the report, "its favourable effects on employment and on the lagging world economy as a whole will be felt only after some delay.

"While most sectors of international trade continue to develop normally, if slowly, a few are encountering great difficulties."

The report adds: "If these difficulties are not to spread, governments must resist any weakening of their commitment to liberal trading policies

"A world-wide and disturbing resurgence in protectionist measures in recent months have reached a level not experienced for more than a generation. The result has been a significant increase in trade restrictions."—Reuter.

MLR held at 7½pc but early rise feared

By John Whitmore

Any lingering fears that the Bank of England's minimum lending rate would rise this week were finally dispelled yesterday afternoon.

Rates bid at the weekly Treasury bill tender proved just consistent with a continuation of MLR at 7½ per cent—at least for the time being.

But fears remain that it will rise before long. After a week of steadily rising interest rates in the money markets it is starting once again to look too low.

To some extent the rise in money market rates has been no more than a reflection of acute nervousness in financial circles and the authorities may be counting on the present anxiety proving transitory.

Certainly, the Government would be considerably embarrassed by a further rise in MLR so soon after the Budget, particularly if it led to any increase in the mortgage rate.

It looks, however, as if it will be no easy task to allay the present uncertainty. Apart from the fact that some City economists consider the recent 1 per cent rise in MLR to have been inadequate anyway, there are considerable doubts about the assumptions made in the Government's Budget forecasts, not to mention fears that sterling will remain under pressure.

Although the April money supply figures—due out in mid-May—may be helped by the considerable outflow of sterling across the exchanges, this may in fact bring little comfort to markets if, as some analysts are predicting, the figure for Domestic Credit Expansion looks extremely high.

Meanwhile, the general uncertainty is making it difficult for the Government to get this year's funding programme off the ground in the gilt market.

Sales of National Savings, however, may be good over the coming weeks, while the Government should also benefit from last night's news that the interest rate on Certificates of Tax Deposit applied to the payment of tax are to rise on May 1 from 7½ to 8½ per cent. The rate on certificates withdrawn for cash goes up from 4¾ to 5½ per cent.

DM1,500m loan to Canada

From Peter Norman
Bonn, April 28

Deutsche Bank AG of Frankfurt is to provide the Canadian Government with DM1,500m (about £410m) to boost Canada's currency reserves.

Under an agreement signed in Ottawa yesterday, Deutsche Bank and an international banking consortium will arrange a DM600m private placement. The loan will run for five years, carry a coupon of 4.75 per cent and be priced at 99.5 per cent to yield 4.86 per cent.

The remaining DM900m will be provided as a credit by the bank. Canada will have to pay back DM400m after four years and DM500m after six years.

UK bond success: Much of the $350m (about £190m) bond issues launched in the New York market by the United Kingdom Government have been sold outside the United States (AP-Dow Jones reports). At least 66 per cent of the $200m of 8¾ per cent bonds, priced at 100 and maturing in seven years were placed with foreign investors.

£9m paid by insurers for Brittany oil pollution

By Richard Allen

London insurers have put up $16.7m (about £9m) to provide compensation for Bretons affected by sea pollution as a result of the Amoco Cadiz supertanker disaster last month.

The fund has been set up by the French Government and will be administered by the local authority of Brest.

Negotiations involving further compensation payments from pools set up by tanker owners and oil refiners may be delayed until French charges against the vessel's captain have been heard in the Brittany courts.

The London Steamship Owners Mutual, direct underwriters to the tanker's owners, pool the cost of pollution risks with other members of the Protection & Indemnity Association, which in turn reinsures most of the risk in the Lloyd's market.

It is estimated that the total sum provided by Lloyd's underwriters amounts to $12.7m, which together with hull insurance costs of around $15m takes the market's losses so far to almost £15m.

TUC warning over further steel cutbacks

By Our Industrial Correspondent

Cutbacks in the labour force of the British Steel Corporation must be accompanied by total modernization of the industry, and failure to carry it through would have "disastrous industrial and political consequences", the steel industry union leaders said yesterday.

Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, and chairman of the TUC steel industry committee, referring to the Government's recent White Paper, Steel's future, said: "What is unacceptable is that the cutbacks should be carried through without the promised modernization taking place."

The danger, he said, of the present policies being deployed under which BSC has postponed much of its new investment and is accelerating the closure of old plants) was that the corporation would not be equipped to take advantage of opportunities which would come when an upturn in world trade.

Writing in the latest issue of *Steel Monthly*, he says: "I welcome the commitment in the White Paper to a successful steel industry, but only a commitment to total modernization can redeem the pledge.

Shipbuilders in fresh move to end inter-union strife

By Donald Macintyre

British Shipbuilders will make a fresh effort to mediate in the inter-union dispute over representation for managers. It told both sides in a letter received yesterday that provided sanctions were lifted it was ready "to take a positive lead in trying to bring the parties together".

The Shipbuilding and Allied Industries Management Association has been pursuing a claim for full recognition which has been resisted by the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, which wants to retain sole negotiating rights.

SAIMA, which is now part of the Engineers and Managers Association, has no national negotiating rights in spite of its legal status as a "relevant union".

The EMA was encouraged yesterday by the fact that the letter from the board, who decided on Thursday again to defer a decision on recognition, reaffirms that status.

The Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service as the board recalled, had advised it that it could see no way of finding a settlement in the dispute.

However, Acas still has the task of considering a formal claim under the Employment Protection Act from SAIMA, which says it represents 70 per cent of the industry's managers.

British Shipbuilders hope that the new initiative will at least pave the way for both sides to halt the limited industrial action they have been applying because of the dispute.

SAIMA has been banning overtime while the CSEU has been refusing to negotiate with management if SAIMA members are present.

Mr John Lyons, general secretary of the EMA, said last night that although the union wanted full recognition, it welcomed the board's decision "given the immense pressures on British Shipbuilders".

He said that the board's "evident desire to find a basis of agreement between ourselves and the CSEU is very satisfactory. We shall do all we can to achieve a lasting solution".

Mr John Chalmers, chairman of the CSEU's shipbuilding committee, said that the committee would be considering its position over the next month. He extended a cautious welcome to the board's statement.

Reed Paper first-quarter loss cut

Reed Paper, the Canadian subsidiary of Reed International, the paper and packaging group, has cut its first quarter net loss to $Can4.48m (about £2.24m) from more than $Can10m in the previous quarter.

Last year Reed Paper made extraordinary write-offs of $Can46.2m and operating losses of $Can20m. Mr J. D. Cormie, Reed's finance director, says the group expects to cut the losses in the next two quarters. If pulp prices are favourable, Reed Paper may be profitable this year.

Sales at Reed Paper were $Can104m against $Can91.4m in the same quarter of 1977. No more write-offs were made, and the company's newsprint sales, the backbone of the business, were helped by the weakness of the Canadian dollar.

In South Africa, meanwhile, Reed International has acquired from C. G. Smith 50 per cent of Stanger, a pulp and paper mill, for the nominal consideration of one rand, plus capital and loans from Smith worth 11.4m rand (£3.6m). In addition Smith will pay Reed 16m rand.



Skytrain expansion: McDonnell Douglas's DC10 in the livery of Laker Airways. The British independent airline is negotiating to buy two more DC10s bringing its total fleet to eight. The 345-seat jets each costing £21m without spares, will be delivered at the beginning of 1979. Laker already has four DC10s in service with two more due for delivery by the end of this year.

This new investment by Mr Freddie Laker, chairman of the airline, reflects the booming business it is enjoying since it launched the daily Skytrain service between London and New York at a single fare of only £59 last September.

'Buy British' plea to Mr Callaghan

Mr Callaghan was yesterday urged to back his recent "Buy British" campaign by issuing a Cabinet directive to all government departments and nationalized industries to buy British manufactured textile goods. The appeal was made by Mr Edmund Gartside, retiring president of the British Textile Employers' Association.

He said at the organization's annual general meeting: "This could transform the face of the industry and restore many sectors to conditions of full employment immediately".

Celtic well abandoned

Marathon Petroleum Ireland said yesterday it had plugged and abandoned its exploratory well in block 42/17 of the Celtic Sea, 60 miles south-east of Dublin. The company, part of Marathon Oil, has no plans for further drilling in the area.

50,000 road jobs lost

About 50,000 people have lost their jobs because of cuts in road-building over the past five years. But the number of staff in the Government's own Road Construction units has remained more or less static at about 2,700. Mr Robert Phillipson, director of the British Road Federation, said yesterday. He asked: "Isn't it time the Government swallowed some of its own medicine instead of private industry having to bear the burden?"

In brief

Gypsum rise allowed

The Price Commission has allowed British Gypsum, a wholly-owned subsidiary of BPB Industries, the monopoly supplier of plasterboard in the United Kingdom, an interim average increase of 3.361 per cent under the safeguard provisions of the price control legislation. The company was seeking an average increase of 8 per cent.

TV deliveries up

Deliveries of British-made television sets to the trade during the first two months of this year are up on 1976 and 1977, according to the British Radio Equipment Manufacturers' Association. Colour set deliveries totalled 260,000 and monochrome set deliveries numbered 175,000.

Labour relations boost

The Industrial Relations Training Resource Centre says that more than four out of five organizations are planning to increase their management programmes in industrial relations, according to a survey which covered groups employing more than three million people. The most frequently mentioned areas for increasing training were employment legislation and health and safety.

BL drivers stay out

Oxford car delivery drivers yesterday ignored their union's advice and voted overwhelmingly to continue to strike unless their leader, Mr Brian Preston, dismissed over an alleged fraudulent claim, is reinstated. Although Leyland has recalled the 7,000 workers laid off from Tuesday because of the drivers' strike, production is again threatened.

Union to fight Lonrho

Lonhro's takeover bid for Scottish and Universal Investments is to be fought by the Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers. "USDAW will insist it is referred to the Monopolies Commission", Mr John Phillips, the union's assistant general secretary, said yesterday.

Aid was 'chickenfeed'

Budget measures designed to assist small firms would do no more than slow the decline of the sector, according to Mr Christopher Meakin, director for smaller firms at the CBI. The measures, though worth £100m and £200m a year, were chickenfeed compared with the size of the problem.

How the markets moved

The Times index: 200.44 +0.48
The FT index: 465.7 −2.1

Rises

Allen Hill	10p to 615p
Beers Ind	10p to 520p
Bush Rood	17p to 234p
Estate Prop	13p to 310p
Grp	13p to 355p
Harrison Cros	38p to 525p
Inchcape Hldgs	8p to 186p
Redfearn Nat	18p to 315p
Smurfit	8p to 203p
Southvaal	14p to 476p
Sungei Besi	10p to 190p
Thorn Electric	8p to 350p
Warren Plant	18p to 225p
Welkom	9p to 270p

Falls

Ferranti	6p to 165p
Hall	7p to 242p
Hall	14p to 145p
Hargreaves Mess Withy	4p to 246p
Harper Tiu	5p to 130p
Hampton Gold	3p to 133p
Hestair Int	3p to 110p
Manch Liners	10p to 210p
ML Hldgs	8p to 126p
Norwest Holst	3p to 85p
Nthgate Explor	10p to 350p
Thomson Org	5p to 242p
Turner Newall	5p to 167p
UVC Invest	5p to 200p

Rifles slipped in quiet trading. Gilt-edged securities held steady. Liquidity Premium 109.75 per cent (previous rate 47.63 per cent). Sterling dropped 85pts to $1.8245. Sterling effective exchange rate index fell to 61.4.

Gold was unchanged at $170.625 per ounce.
SDR-$ was 1.22609 on Friday while SBR-£ was 0.669519.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1,455.3 (previous 1,457.1).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.67	1.61
Austria Sch	28.50	26.50
Belgium Fr	61.75	58.25
Canada $	2.12	2.05
Denmark Kr	10.75	10.25
Finland Mkk	7.99	7.64
France Fr	8.72	8.32
Germany Dm	3.96	3.74
Greece Dr	69.50	65.50
Hong Kong $	8.75	8.30
Italy Lr	1615.00	1530.00
Japan Yn	430.00	405.00
Netherlands Gld	4.21	3.98
Norway Kr	10.25	9.80
Portugal Esc	78.50	73.50
S Africa Rd	2.06	1.92
Spain Pes	151.00	144.00
Sweden Kr	8.76	8.36
Switzerland Fr	3.72	3.50
US $	1.88	1.82
Yugoslavia Dnr	36.50	34.50

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BUILDING SOCIETIES

A matter of interest

by Margaret Stone



Gerry Greaves

It has been a most momentous year for the building society movement. So much has happened in the past 12 months that any chronicler would be hard pushed to give space to all the events which have come tumbling, one after the other, since that gloomy first quarter of 1977 when building society net receipts averaged only some £160m a month and the building society mortgage interest rate was a penal 12¾ per cent.

In the eyes of the general public it has been the precipitous decline in interest rates which has been the most noteworthy and satisfactory feature of the period under review. The more thoughtful building society manager will lightly shrug off the nationalization threat which glowered for one Friday afternoon before the private member's Bill to that end was talked out; less lightly will he shrug off the movement's recent capitulation to government pressure to restrict lending for the time being.

On the wider scene there was the long-awaited Green Paper the *Government Housing Policy Review*—set in motion by the late Anthony Crosland when he was Secretary of State for the Environment. As it happened, it was a remarkably tame document noted mainly for its truisms about the need to improve inner city homes and lending arrangements. The young, first-time buyer was singled out for particular attention with the proposal of a modest grant scheme for long-term savers.

Latterly all this has been overshadowed by one question: is there going to be another house price explosion like that of 1972-73 when house prices on average jumped by nearly 50 per cent? The building societies have been made aware that their success in attracting huge funds from the public—money was rolling in at the rate of more than £500m a month net in the last quarter of 1977—has not endeared them to others, notably the clearing banks which are becoming increasingly vocal in their resentment of the tax privileges the building societies enjoy.

However, net receipts into building societies have fallen for six successive months since the peak intake of £590m was recorded last October. The lower outturns for the rest of 1977 were no cause for alarm but when net receipts trailed to £308m in March, with the forecast that they could be lower still in April, then there is reason to show some concern. The January cut in the investment rate to 5.5 per cent (gross equivalent yield, 8.33 per cent) was based on the assumption that a net inflow of some £400m a month would continue in order to maintain a lending target of £700m a month.

The fact that lending was apparently out of hand, causing the Government to "recommend" a restriction in lending, does disguise the underlying slowdown in building society borrowing from investors. This is certainly not the fault of the clearing banks which until a week ago were still paying only 3 per cent (gross) on deposits. But the increase in rates elsewhere was beginning to take its toll and National Savings has only recently trimmed the extremely competitive rates of the National Savings Bank investment account and Savings Certificates (the latter takes effect in June).

Interest rates are always discussed at the monthly meeting of the Building Societies Association, but the May meeting will be giving the matter more concentrated attention: it is quite likely that an increase in the investment rate will be announced to take effect in June, although it is less certain that a matching increase in the mortgage rate, now down at its lowest level since 1971 at 8.5 per cent, will be immediately necessary. The major societies certainly have handsome surpluses to cream if they wanted to cushion the mortgagor a little longer. A reduction in the composite rate of tax after the introduction of the reduced band rate in the Budget also gives the societies more leeway in their operating margins.

Against this prospective scenario the building societies felt there was little need artifically to restrain lending at the behest of the Government. The official request for 10 per cent, £70m a month, to be lopped off building society lending between April and June, was designed to put a brake on excessive house price rises.

There is evidence that the housing market no longer looks so excessively high, but whether this was the result of the Government's douche of cold water or would have happened anyway as building society funds began to ebb, "we shall never know", Mr Ralph Stow, chairman of the Building Societies Association, says.

Some significant increase in house prices was to be expected this year. House price rises since 1974 have failed to keep up with the rate of increase in the retail price index, the level in earnings and the cost of housebuilding materials. As incomes began to take off again last year and the mortgage interest rate fell dramatically — three cuts were announced last year — it was inevitable that as people could afford more, house prices would begin to catch up.

In some areas, notably London, the South-east and South-west, prices have shown their strongest gains and there have even been examples of "gazumping", but over the country as a whole there has not been such a marked increase.

The Times-Halifax house price index which, although launched in January, has been backtracked to the middle of 1975, shows that in the past 12 months the average price of existing, as opposed to new, homes has risen by 15.5 per cent. In the first quarter of the year the increase was 3.7 per cent. New houses, as might be expected, are accelerating at a slightly faster pace with an increase of 19.1 per cent over the past 12 months and 11.1 per cent in six months.

The figures are certainly positive, but they do not seem to be indicative of a runaway trend in house prices. Estate agents, who see the asking price of houses for sale somewhat earlier in the chain, are now wondering whether the house price bubble has burst.

It is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain a mortgage and mortgage queues, in some areas, are stretching well into June. So the building societies are keen to see it officially confirmed that the restriction on mortgage lending will be lifted at the end of June. This is bound to be an important topic at the next meeting of the Joint Advisory Committee, the joint Government-building society forum which was established in the aftermath of another mortgage fund crisis back in 1973.

Indisputably the JAC has been a useful meeting place for both sides. The Government appreciates much more clearly the functioning and problems of the building societies and in their turn building societies have been grateful for its existence as they have become more and more involved in the maelstrom of macro-economics policy which manifests itself, for example, in the question whether M3 (the broader definition of money supply) should be expanded to include building society activity.

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Financial institutions unsuited to role of local authorities

by Christopher Warman

The Building Societies' support lending scheme came into being to fill the gap left by the swingeing cuts in local authority mortgage lending of 1976 and 1977. Conscious of the difficulties that would be caused by the cuts, since local authorities traditionally filled a vital role in lending at the lower end of the market, the Government asked the building societies to help.

It has not been a great success. Certainly local government takes that view, and, although there have been some exceptions, the building societies concede that the results have been patchy. Where things have gone wrong, it is not really a matter of blaming the building societies. They have their priorities and their ways of operating, just as the local authorities have in assessing the requirements of their lending policy.

Last month *Roof*, the voice of the housing organization Shelter, acknowledged the fact. It wrote: "It is deeply unfair to criticize building societies for being what they are—financial institutions—and berate them for failing to be what they are not—agents of government social policy."

The article pointed out that several societies had made efforts to encourage their branch managers to lend down-market, but ultimately there was "no reason why building societies should lend on cheap, older properties without gardens in doubtful districts to applicants who ask for bothersome, non-standard mortgage agreements when they could easily lend all the money they have on safe houses in safe areas to safe people".

That argument is more compelling at a time when the building societies have been asked by the Government to cut down on their lending in order to prevent the possibility of house price inflation.

Nevertheless, Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, stated recently that building societies should be ready to shoulder greater social responsibilities within the framework of a national housing policy and, amid dark hints of nationalization, urged their voluntary agreement in such a development.

Development plans block use of cash

At the same time, Mr Shore took the point that some councils have not been as helpful as they might because of the rigidity of their planning policies. He told a conference organized by the Building Societies' Association that if a council scheduled an area for redevelopment at some unspecified date it effectively blocked the use of building society funds.

"If it will not give an applicant for a building society mortgage an assurance of an improvement grant, and if it insists on its right to reclaim the grant if the house is sold within five years, it will make it more difficult for a society to grant a mortgage."

Thus encouraging both sides, Mr Shore watches the outcome of the scheme. The societies began by operating their normal criteria both for the property and the status of the applicant for these local authority nominees, and the first results were accusations of conservatism and undue caution by the societies. It took some time before a more congenial atmosphere of cooperation prevailed.

Exact figures for the take-up of the scheme are not available, but a confidential monitoring exercise by the Department of the Environment, as reported in the March edition of *Roof*, suggests that of the England quota of £157m for 1977-78 only £100m to £105m will be spent.

The report said that only 35 per cent of the referrals had resulted in offers, and that all the local authorities included in the exercise considered the societies were too restrictive in making loans. The overall impression was that building societies were reluctant to lend above 90 per cent, and that they took a conservative view of property in need of repair or improvement or in older or poorer areas where their condition was more likely to be unsatisfactory.

Other factors which the local authorities mentioned as contributing to the high proportion of refusals included the insistence on a front garden and an aversion to converted flats.

Among individual cases quoted, the reasons for a society deciding against offering a loan included "property in declining area", "property part-tenanted and in need of modernization and repairs" and "location liable to vandalism".

One hope of the scheme was that building societies would ease their lending criteria to bring them nearer to those of the local authorities now unable to make the loans. This clearly has not happened, and the result is that the Government's policy of improving inner city housing has not been fulfilled, or not through this scheme at any rate.

The department's survey touched on the sensitive question of whether societies operated a "red-lining" system, whereby they do not lend on any property within a particular area. It concluded that it had found no "red-lining as such", but ambiguously accepted that there was "indirect" or "consequential" red-lining.

Building societies believe that the take-up of the first scheme, up to March, 1977, was satisfactory, but agree that the present allocation has not been fully used up. Mr Ron Pike, an assistant general manager with the Woolwich Equitable Building Society, says that one of the factors contributing to this situation is that because money has been more readily available they have been able to help borrowers who in times of mortgage famine might have gone to a local authority.

Writing in the latest issue of *Municipal Review*, journal of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, he puts the case for the societies. "It has been shown that where a rapport is established between housing officials and building society branch managers at local level, many of the myths created by housing pressure groups evaporate in an atmosphere of mutual good will and understanding."

Mr Pike argues that building societies have shown a willingness to co-operate to an extent that until quite recent times would have been considered unacceptable, and states that they will be able to make their contribution to meeting the pressing needs of the inner cities.

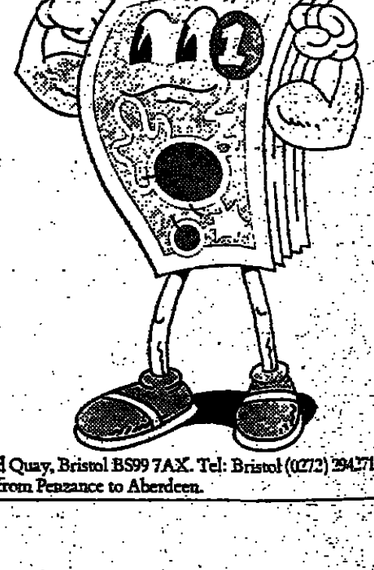
Individual societies have indeed made encouraging noises about lending in the difficult inner city areas. The first essential step is to make sure that the society's policy is translated locally into action.

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Mr Peter Shore (right), the Secretary of State for the Environment, talking to one of his constituents. Mr Shore said recently that building societies should be ready to accept greater social responsibility within the framework of national housing policy.

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Adversity concentrates the mind wonderfully and out of the almost unmitigated disaster of the Grays Building Society, where a deficiency of at least £7m has just been discovered, perhaps some good will come. There is, first, the strong possibility the movement will act speedily to set up some form of permanent guarantee fund just in case lightning does strike three times in the same place. (In 1976 irregularities to the tune of £600,000 were discovered at the Wakefield Building Society.)

Second there is the additional push that events of recent weeks will give to mergers between building societies. A week ago Mr Keith Brading, chief registrar of friendly societies, who is the official watchdog of the building society movement, said it was the duty of building society directors, if they were less than satisfied with their own system of financial controls, forthwith to seek a merger with another society with the facilities and proper systems of control which alone can provide "the necessary safeguards against concealed dishonesty and incompetence".

Mr Brading said: "The kind of reassurance that the investing public has long come to expect from the building society movement needs now to be enhanced and reinforced. As a contribution to that I believe there must be—especially among the smaller societies—an immediate reappraisal of resources for setting up, and maintaining for the future, the highest standards of organization and operation as well as security.

"In view of the immense size and importance of the building society movement only those highest standards can today be regarded as acceptable. If in any society they cannot be reached or maintained with certainty, I repeat that it is the duty of the director of that society to seek out, without delay, the most appropriate merger for their society—in the interest first of their members but also of the movement as a whole."

These are fighting words indeed and it is a fair assumption that it will not strike a responsive chord in all the 334 building society boardrooms up and down the country, frightened as many directors may have been by the revelations coming out of Grays. Local pride in the society, individual stubbornness of some directors and enthusiasm for doing a job well are just a few of the reasons, both good and bad, why many societies will not wish to heed the registrar's clarion call. But, perhaps others will.

There has been a steady reduction in the number of societies over recent years, mainly through mergers. In 1973 there were about 455 societies; now there are 334. Most of those mergers will have involved the transfer of assets from a much smaller society to a larger one and several of these were in effect gentlemanly acts of prevention of trouble in the cases, for example, where a society's reserves might be considered weaker than they ought to be.

Mergers undoubtedly gain momentum in times of stringency for the building society movement. For example, in the lean years of 1974 and 1975 some 30 mergers or transfers were effected. In 1976 when the outlook was brighter the number of mergers dropped to 13 and a similar pattern was seen in 1977, a year when money poured into the societies.

If operational problems, an increasingly complex range of savings facilities (such as term shares) and a more dramatic investment background for their own reserves create the conditions in which the directors of some smaller societies might be prepared to throw in the towel, other reasons motivate the directors of the medium-to-large societies when they begin to hold merger discussions.

"Small is beautiful" may be the catchphrase elsewhere but it is certainly not the slogan to appeal to most within the building society movement. Size confers many advantages such as a lower reserve ratio, readier access to the corridors of power within the movement, the ability to open more branches which are the key to asset growth, and the probability of a faster growth rate.

A new dimension to the pursuit-of-size debate are the early rumblings that a two-tier building society movement may be developing. Traditionally the movement operates on the all-for-one, one-for-all principle, but as the gap between the very large and the rest has widened, the question has been raised as to whether or not the largest societies should not be operating on slightly different terms from the rest.

At the heart of the matter are interest rates. The bigger societies, with more fat behind them, have felt able to narrow the margin between investment and mortgage rates (to the benefit of one or other class of member) but, with an outspoken exception or two, have supported the official Building Societies Association recommended rate structure.

Awareness of their future place in the building society league table has certainly not been an insignificant element in the thinking behind the merger of the Hastings and Thanet and Anglia Building Societies, which combined, it is estimated, will jump to seventh largest building society in the country. Similarly the proposed merger between the Wolverhampton & Mercia Building Society (itself a product of a recent merger) with the Midshires will take the combined society to the twentieth slot in the league table.

The merger process, or more accurately the transfer of assets from one society to another, is a cumbersome time-consuming operation and ultimately it is up to the members, the investors and borrowers, to decide the fate of a merger proposal. Some are very vocal in the opposition and, although some members do reject the big is beautiful argument, the main reason for objecting to a merger is that a local society will lose its own identity.

This loss of individuality and name is a solid stumbling block and it is a pity that the concept of a holding company, which would enable a big society to take over smaller ones without the latter having to give up its identity, cannot be incorporated into building society legislation. If smaller societies could become subsidiaries of big ones it would speed up the pace of mergers just as much as the irregularities in the Grays Building Society have done and without damaging the movement's good name.

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Deposits approach banks' total

by John Whitmore

Walking into the High Street branch of a building society is not quite the same thing as easing one's way past solid double doors and into the lofty hall of the local branch of one's bank.

That is not to say that the building society branch office is any less welcoming or, indeed, that many people may not visit it rather more often than a bank these days. But I would guess that most people still think of the banks as being far and away the largest and most important cog in our financial system.

In overall terms they would be right. The banks remain at the centre of the country's credit creation and money transmission mechanisms; the services they offer are wide-ranging; and, taking in their London-based foreign currency deposits and international business, they are several times larger than the building societies.

But in terms of domestic sterling deposits, the lead of the banks is much less commanding. At the end of 1977 the total of domestic sterling deposits held in the banking system—after netting out interbank deposits—amounted to just over £37,500m. Deposits held in building societies, after another year of rapid growth, totalled close on £32,000m.

The present size of the building societies reflects two main developments over the past decade. The first has been the rise in the savings ratio, the percentage of our income that we save. After standing in the 8.9 per cent range through most of the second half of the 1960s, the savings ratio has moved up steadily during the 1970s, reaching an annual peak of just over 15 per cent in 1975.

The second major development has been the success of the societies in attracting a consistently large share of these savings. The Central Statistical Office recently estimated that whereas the proportion of personal wealth held in the form of bank deposits rose from 10.2 to 13.6 per cent in the decade to 1976, the proportion held in the form of building society deposits doubled, from 8.8 to 17.6 per cent.

This dramatic growth would in itself almost certainly have led to a number of questions being asked about the societies' future role in the financial system. Apart from anything else, it raised the thought that a continuation of the recent growth rate might one day find the societies needing to choose between taking steps to halt that growth, or considering new areas into which to expand their lending—assuming, of course, that a more openly interventionist government did not select those areas for them in the first place.

There have, however, been rather more immediate reasons why the role of the building societies has been increasingly debated in some quarters. One has been the considerable problem facing the banks in coping with their cost structure. A second has been the growing importance of monetary control in economic policy-making.

The problem of the banks has, very simply, been that they do not relish the prospect of a period of lower interest rates after the relatively high rates of the mid-1970s. Lower interest rates mean that their total income falls rather more sharply than their total cost of funds, if, that is, one includes in the latter the sharp rise over recent years in the cost of running the branch network and a comprehensive money transmission service.

The problem, the banks argue, does not stop there. For attempts to mitigate the squeeze on margins by lowering the interest rate offered on small deposits runs the risk of chasing away the small depositor, leaving the banks to replace lost deposits by buying funds (in part from the building societies) even more expensively in the wholesale market.

Hence the banks' apparent interest in moving into the home loan market on their own account in an attempt to boost the volume of their business, thus spreading their costs; and hence their call for an end to the fiscal advantages that they feel unfairly favour the building societies in enabling them to operate on artificially low margins.

The other major development that has brought the societies into the debating arena has been the evolution of monetary policy, and the considerable emphasis now given to controlling the money supply.

Opinion on the precise way in which building societies fit into, and affect, the monetary mechanism may be divided, but at least there is a fairly general recognition that the circulation of funds between the societies and the banks, and the societies and the Government, is a factor that needs to be carefully watched.

A number of monetary economists produce liquidity figures for the economy that take in non-bank items, and there have been suggestions that the Government should do the same.

Whether the building societies should be subjected to similar kinds of credit controls as the banks is, however, a rather different matter. The logic of a serious monetary policy might seem to demand it. It is clear that the present mechanism of control, in effect a directive on lending, is a far from happy compromise.

Firm obstacles to lending abroad

by Stephen Fielding

Building societies are wholly domestic institutions. For 200 years they have offered their services throughout the United Kingdom alone. They have no experience of operating in Europe.

The wider horizons of the EEC have prompted societies to consider taking their undoubted skills abroad. In so doing, they have come up against the present restrictions on a society's power to operate outside Britain.

The restrictions are that building societies, unlike limited companies, have their purposes laid down by statute; they can lend only on freehold or leasehold land, that is, land in the United Kingdom. Even if they wanted to, societies could not legally lend abroad.

The obstacles are not only domestic. There is, for example, the likely question of exchange control. This is crucial. For currency fluctuations can result in loss. Should a borrower be expected to bear it? If not, how should it be dealt with? In view of the purpose of building societies, there are social as well as commercial considerations to be borne in mind.

Questions of exchange control and of currency movements should also be seen in the light of recent statements by Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the Commission of the European Communities, on the subject of economic and monetary union. There is renewed urgency here. The French President has also spoken of the need for "a zone of monetary stability in Europe". Clearly, any step nearer economic and monetary union must act as a stimulus for building societies. It may also bring closer the prospect of overseas lending.

But the obstacles listed above are genuine and firm and are not likely to be eliminated in the twinkling of an eye.

There is awareness of this in the EEC Commission. It is well known what the problems are. Much work has been devoted to solving them. But it must be emphasized, as Mr Christopher Tugendhat, a member of the Commission, said recently in London, that detailed harmonization of the rules within member states is not envisaged. Savings and lending institutions vary radically from country to country; they have different practices and different requirements. Only like cases should be treated alike.

Although detailed harmonization is ruled out, EEC activity in 1977 yielded a First Directive on Credit Institutions. It is a measure designed to lay down minimum standards which must be satisfied to permit a financial institution to operate anywhere in the EEC.

But it is not an enabling measure. No one should imagine that, because of it, societies are about to blaze a trail from Copenhagen to Calabria. That is not the immediate prospect. Some time must elapse before that can be done.

A second EEC directive is also planned. This will take account of the specific obstacles to operating in Europe which need to be overcome. No one knows how long it will be before a draft of the directive appears. After that, there will be the normal legislative process within the EEC. Then, the consequential British legislation will need to be made, normally within two years.

So overseas lending by societies, if it depends for its inauguration on EEC activity, is not likely to come about soon.

It is not by any means certain that EEC measures are necessary. As a matter of law they are almost certainly not necessary. Westminster has all the requisite competence. But in terms of probabilities domestic legislation on the initiative of Britain is unlikely.

Let us move the clock on and suppose that the obstacles to foreign operation have been overcome. How would societies fit in with other credit institutions? How would their skills and practices differ from other member states?

In France, finance for house purchase may be obtained either through the semi-nationalized banks, like the Crédit Foncier de France or through deferred credit societies (*sociétés de crédit différé*). The latter most closely resemble a building society type of institution. But their mode of operation is distinct.

Deferred credit is a mutual system of housing finance. Under it, a saver agrees to subscribe for a fixed amount over a given period. Halfway through the period he is entitled to a loan, provided that he has maintained his savings, and the loan equals what he has left to save under the contract. He also gets his savings back. The loan is repaid by maintaining the monthly payments for the residue of the contractual period.

Germany has evolved a collective system of building-saving, operated by the Bausparkassen. Here, the saver subscribes for a certain capital sum and usually has to deposit in savings about 40 per cent of the contractual allocation. The difference is provided by the Bausparkasse. One of the contrasts with the French system is that the loan is made to the borrower according to the Bausparkasse's available resources. In France the date is fixed in advance.

In either event, unlike the British system, there is both a period of waiting and a borrower must also have been a saver.

Housing finance in Denmark is made available through the issue of bonds. Banks and mortgage-credit institutions issue the bonds to borrowers who have then to sell them in the market, normally at a discount, in order to obtain their funds.

It would be perfectly possible for British building societies to offer services abroad which are identical to those just described. But that would seem to be an unnecessary duplication. British societies have no experience of those kinds of operation.

Rather, the purpose of operating elsewhere in the EEC would be that societies could make available their particular skill on a wider scale. The advantages of their operation are clear: they offer a simple service; there is no obligatory savings period; a borrower does not have first to be a saver. One would think there were tremendous possibilities for societies in Europe.

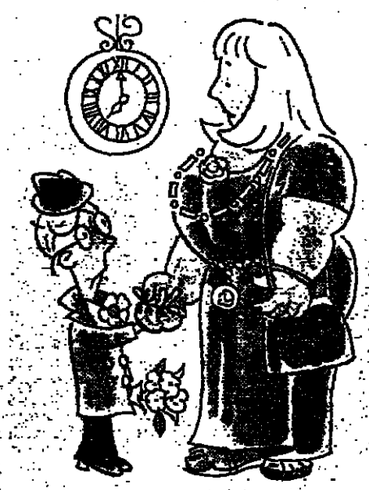
This widening of choice for European investors and homebuyers could be only to their benefit and would, in its turn, bring benefits to the British economy. There is no reason to suppose that the net effect of societies operating abroad would be in any significant sense different from that of the banks or insurance companies whose contribution to the economy has been enormous.

For the rest, when the power to operate abroad is conferred it will be a matter of policy for individual societies whether they take advantage of it or not.

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PERSONAL INVESTMENT AND FINANCE

Grouse

The Post Office insists that only approved companies can supply telephone answering machines and among the conditions it lays down is that the machines must be rented and never sold outright.

The result is that those who install this equipment have to pay rental companies £120 a year or more for a machine which they could buy themselves quite openly and, as it happens, not a mile from the Post Office Tower, for no more.

This is not the case in other countries. The telephone undertakings in the United States and Sweden, for example, freely allow subscribers to connect their own machines to the system.

The Post Office's argument is that it is responsible for maintaining the whole telephone system's efficient operation. The design, installation and proper maintenance of answering machines is an essential part of a public telephone service and would be impossible in a free market.

Yet *in everyone's experience* answering machines can fail to work properly and the Post Office accepts no responsibility. Where the inconvenience extends only to the subscriber who installed the machine and those who are attempting to contact him it is indeed difficult to see that the Post Office is involved.

There is in any case a flourishing business in privately owned, and therefore illegal answering machines. Those with reason to know say that thousands are in use

Is it not time that the Post Office reconsidered a policy which forces everyone who wants to use an answering machine—however intermittently—to take out an expensive contract with a rental company?

Paying off a guilty conscience

Self-appointed guardians of the national morality are forever telling us what a dishonest nation we are becoming. One has the impression that the entire population is indulging in a frenzy of shoplifting, meter fixing, tax avoidance or fare dodging.

It was most heartening, in the circumstances, to see the intriguing little item tucked away in *The Times* Personal Column last week that read "The Board of Inland Revenue acknowledge receipt of £470 and £500 conscience money from 'Fairminded'".

But the Inland Revenue is a little coy about revealing further details of this and other acts of conscience stricken honesty. It makes no bones, of course, about telling us all about the mind boggling amounts it does not get each year and it presumably applauds every time newsmen drag humble Smithfield porters from their Rolls-Royces to ask them about tax exasion.

But it will not tell us how honest we may be. It is most unfair.

Perhaps the insertion in *The Times* reflects the fact that this was an unusually generous conscience offering. That would not be surprising, since paying your back taxes anonymously is as risky as fiddling your way out of them in the first place.

Cheques are out because of the incriminating signature. Most conscience payments are made in cash through the post. Postal orders (maximum £10 per order) are recommended as being marginally safer than a bunch of used fivers in a plain brown envelope. In fact, as the largest note is only £20 you could need a plastic carrier bag.

Any sum of money can be paid discreetly by banker's draft, which carries the name of the bank, not the sender. This would be the ideal way to shift larger sums anonymously. But if the Inland Revenue wants to see whether the goose may owe it a few more golden eggs it can apply for a court order that forces the bank to breach its traditional customer confidentiality and name names.

Perhaps "Fairminded" should confine his next twinge (or should one say "binge") of conscience to those institutions which know a gracious gesture when they see it.

British Rail would happily repossess the many items of crockery and cutlery pinched by its discerning customers over the years. Some, even more discerning(?), send it back, but the few hundred pounds it receives in conscience money hardly covers the knives and forks it loses, let alone the £12m a year it loses through ticket dodgers.

Dare one say it?—London Transport fares even worse. Its total conscience money last year amounted to £50.

Charities, of course, receive lots of conscience money, but are mindful of budding Robin Hoods. Oxfam generally tells the police of any large amounts of cash sent anonymously. Last year its anonymous receipts included £1,300 in notes and 200 gold sovereigns that burst open in the post.

Once it received £70 from someone who said he had cheated the organization of some funds he had collected for it years ago as a student.

A charity will always protect a donor's anonymity. Frequently people do not want their family to know when they give the entire estate away to Battersea Dogs Home or the charitable equivalent, which is quite understandable.

Charities receive funds arising for the settlement of court cases, which is conscience money of a sort. In libel actions and the like the defeated party may often be asked by the plaintiff to pay damages to a charity in settlement if the offended is pursuing honour rather than monetary gain.

Margaret Drummond



The man who paid his conscience money to the Inland Revenue.

Taxation: readers ask

Capital gains • The cost of living away from home

This end of the month round-up of readers' letters deals with inquiries on capital gains tax and subsistence expenses.

● A reader who has retired and is working out a scheme for reducing capital transfer tax is planning to give his wife a half share in the house in which they live, bequeathing the other half to his two sons in his will. His wife has also bequeathed her property to the sons, so that whichever spouse dies first there will be security of tenure for husband and wife. I am asked whether there could be a capital gains tax snag to the transactions.

I am happy to say that there will be no problem. The gift to the wife is exempt from CGT and none is payable on property passing at death.

● Again on capital gains tax a reader writes: "We bought a house in Cornwall in September, 1969, to be used as a holiday house until my retirement. We let it only twice, in 1970 and 1971, the rest of the time it being used by family and friends. We came to live in it in May, 1973, having sold our previous main residence with a tax-free capital gain.

"We must now move to a smaller house and I believe I shall be liable to tax on some part of the gain in value between buying in 1969 and the time we sell. Is this calculated on the length of time this was our second house, as a proportion of the total time we will have owned it; or on an estimated gain in value between buying it in 1969 and its becoming our main residence in 1973?"

When the house is sold the overall gain must first be calculated—that is, sale proceeds less the cost in September, 1969 (*plus the buying and selling* expenses). This gain is then apportioned on a time basis and the proportion relating to the period May, 1973, to the date of sale (the time during which it was the reader's main residence) is exempt from CGT. The balance is taxable.

Bear in mind that should the taxable gain be less than £1,000 it will be exempt under the Budget changes (assuming no other gains in the year).

● This reader poses another question: "Also, we had difficulty in selling our previous house, so we owned two houses for a longer period than we needed, or wanted to, during which neither property was let. *Am I right in thinking that for CGT purposes an overlap up to* 12 months is allowed when the main residence is being changed?"

Yes. The last 12 months of ownership is treated as a period of owner-occupation.

● Some time ago I wrote about the Inland Revenue's attitude towards subsistence and said that it has been officially stated as follows: "Strictly only the extra cost of living away from home qualifies as a deduction from the employee's remuneration for tax purposes. If, however, there are continuing financial commitments at home the whole cost of living away from home is normally allowed.

"This concession is not, however, made if the employee has no permanent residence—for example, a bachelor who normally lives in a hotel or club and who gives up his accommodation when he is away on a business trip. Further, the cost of subsistence is not allowed as a deduction under the expenses rule if it is unconnected with travel away from the employee's main place of work."

A reader asks for the source of the above and wonders whether it would apply to his particular case as follows: "My house is in Somerset but circumstances compelled me to take a new job in Beckenham, where I stay during the week, returning home at weekends. My family live in the family house with the usual continuing financial commitments. As a result I incur lodging, feeding and travelling expenses no longer reimbursable from my employer."

I was quoting from the Inland Revenue booklet No 480 *Notes on Expenses Payments and Benefits for Directors and Certain Employees*. The clue lies in the last sentence of the extract from the booklet. This reader's case would fall down on the grounds that travel between home and the place of business is "... unconnected with travel away from the employee's main place of work".

Looking at the problem more technically, expenses are only deductible for an employee if they are incurred wholly, exclusively and necessarily in the performance of the duties of office.

There has been much case law on the subject but to quote one judge (Vaisey in Lomax v Newton, 1953): "An expenditure may be 'necessary' for the holder of an office without being necessary to him in the performance of the duties of that office; it may be necessary in the performance of those duties without being exclusively referable to those duties; it may perhaps be both necessarily and exclusively, but still not wholly so referable.

"The words are indeed stringent and exacting; compliance with each and every one of them is obligatory if the benefit of the rule is to be claimed successfully. They are, to my mind, deceptive words in the sense that when examined the are found to come to nearly nothing at all..."

Vera Di Palma

Insurance

How to calculate the yield on a policy

Most of us have at some time or other to think about life assurance and its cost and benefits. I recently had to decide whether to keep a with-profits life assurance policy as a long-term commitment and discovered just how difficult it is to make an objective decision.

The problem lies in the way that the life companies state the return they give on their policies, which makes comparisons with other, competitive forms of investment rather difficult. This article describes the way that the life companies advertise their return and shows what the true annual rate of interest is.

As a policy-holder, you would pay a fixed annual premium for the policy, which consists of a "sum assured". This sum assured is the total of the premiums that you would pay if you survived for the duration of the policy, together with a share of the company's profits, which is typically added every three years.

The addition is called a bonus and is expressed as a percentage of the current sum assured. Present levels of bonus rates are advertised by the life assurance companies, but not only is the rate not fixed, it is not a true annual rate in the same sense as, say, that of a building society account.

Why the emphasis, you may ask, on the sum assured rather than the total amount of the premiums paid to date? It is because, if you die after paying the first premium, your family will receive the whole sum assured, including any bonuses which accrued during the period you were alive. If, however, you survive to the end of the policy's term, you receive the sum assured plus all the bonuses which the policy accrued, together with an additional bonus, the terminal bonus.

The purpose of the terminal bonus is to persuade you not to cash in your policy before the end of its full term. Terminal bonus rates vary from year to year with each company, depending on how well it is doing, but the rate is *frequently about 20 per cent of* all the bonuses that the policy accrued during its life.

It is the provision of life cover which distinguishes a life assurance policy from most other forms of investment. When the return is specified in such a different way, however, it is impossible to decide just how much you are paying for the life cover element in a policy.

To make the comparison you first have to work out what the effective annual interest rate on a life policy really is (this is technically called the redemption yield). This rate can then be compared directly with the rates offered by bank deposit accounts, building societies, local authority bonds and other similar investments.

The actual calculation is rather complicated. It depends on the bonus rate paid by the life assurance company, on how long the policy is kept and on your tax bracket (because you can claim tax relief on half of the premiums at your marginal—ie, highest—rate of tax).

In practice, an assurance company's advertising matter will tell you how much you can expect to receive at the end of the term for a given annual premium if you pay tax at the basic rate.

It is then a matter of trial and error. You have to guess the effective annual interest rate, apply that rate to your annual premiums and work out how much you would receive after the policy's term at that rate. Unless you are very fortunate, it will not be the same as the amount expected from the life policy, so adjust the rate and try again. The true effective rate is that which gives the same total sum as would be gained from the policy.

Some results from calculating the true annual interest rate are shown in the table. Across the top are various bonus rates and down the side are the number of years for which the policy runs. The calculations assume that the bonus is actually paid every three years; that the policy is kept to the end of its term; that it collects a terminal bonus of 20 per cent of the bonuses accrued during its life; and that income tax relief is claimed at the standard rate (34 per cent) on *half of the premiums.*

Let us take a simple example, where a man of 40 wishes to take out a policy for 25 years. The life assurance company he approaches is paying a bonus of 3.6 per cent. Assuming that the company continues to pay bonuses at the same rate, if he holds the policy for its full term he will have received a return on his premiums of 7.76 per cent per annum net of tax.

Building societies do not tend to bid for long-term investments, but for a regular savings account the present net return is 7.25 per cent. A long-term government stock, on the other hand, can give a yield of more than 8.5 per cent.

The return on the life policy is thus seen to be quite competitive, with the additional benefit of life cover during the policy's term, and the cost of the life cover element can now be assessed.

It is most important to note that investment in a with-profits life policy must be a long-term one—but not too long. The only way that companies can give a *high* return is by tying their money up with a long-term view, but, as the table indicates, the return begins to decline after the *fifteenth* year.

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INTEREST RATES

Bonus rate %

Years	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0	4.2	4.4
15	8.17	8.52	8.87	9.21	9.55	9.89	10.22	10.55
20	6.96	7.27	7.57	7.87	8.17	8.46	8.75	9.04
25	6.84	7.15	7.46	7.76	8.06	8.36	8.65	8.94
30	6.70	7.01	7.32	7.62	7.92	8.21	8.50	8.79
35	6.15	6.44	6.72	7.00	7.28	7.55	7.81	8.08
40	6.08	6.37	6.65	6.93	7.20	7.48	7.74	8.01
45	6.01	6.30	6.57	6.85	7.12	7.39	7.66	7.92

Offers

The United States is still everyone's favourite investment area—at least, so a glance around this week's offers shows. There are six unit trusts on offer and each one specializes in North American shares.

Both large and small funds are listed. Investors who prefer to stick with a larger unit trust from long-established groups could consider M & G's American Fund, Save and Prosper's US Growth Fund and Tyndall's London Wall International Fund.

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New Court International Fund

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Unit trusts

A place for traded options?

Most people must now be aware that this month saw the opening of London's new traded options market. Investors are now free to make or lose their money in traded options, but the Department of Trade is still undecided over the implications for the unit trust industry.

Some enterprising people have already been considering the prospects for fully-fledged traded options funds and at least one management group has gone through the administrative motions of setting up such an enterprise. But the Department of Trade has refused its authorization for such a fund. The ground for the refusal *seems a little confused*, given that an investment manager is perhaps a little less likely to lose his—or rather his unitholders'—shirt than the private investor entering this new and risky ground on his own.

But there is still the question whether *existing* funds can include traded options in their portfolios. Before the opening of the London market one manager bought some Chicago options for his United States fund, but was forced to take them out of it by the trustees.

The Unit Trust Association and the Department of Trade have reached the conclusion that the present format of trust deeds *does not allow managers* to buy traded options for their funds. But negotiations are going on to see if there can be amendments allowing a certain amount of investment in the new market.

The department is understood to be sympathetic on the issue, but winning over the trustees of the individual funds could be another matter.

Margaret Stone

AN OFFER FROM M&G

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Charities

To him that giveth may possibly be given

I wonder how many people die with their financial affairs in perfect order? No doubt, it is what most of us would like to do, but an annual sorting out of dividend counterfoils, bonuses on life policies, bank interest and so on (mainly for the benefit of the Inland Revenue), is enough for most of us, without the monumental effort of making sense of everything for those who will have to deal with our affairs after our death.

Probably not many people die with their wills saying exactly what they want, although some solicitors must make a useful living from the few who make frequent changes.

Obviously, it is sensible to list the life policies which are in force and where they are to be found—leaving the list where it will be easily seen. Problems can arise over the settlement of a claim if the policy is not available.

Certificates for shares and unit trusts, National Savings certificates and premium savings bonds also need to be readily available. In the case of shares and units in unit trusts the regular distributions of income after death will alert your personal representative that capital is invested. But with many forms of National Savings (apart from a premium bond prize) there is no automatic reminder that money is invested in this way; nor will the existence of this investment have been disclosed in your last return of income to the Inspector of Taxes.

Most of us probably think of charities as a means of salving our conscience; something to which we give with varying degrees of willingness, with no real thought of return. Increasingly, charities are urging their supporters to leave them money (or other assets) in their wills, on the grounds that it is less painful to part with money after death.

That is reasonable enough. But there are some charities from which it may be possible to gain a return, if your family would be left in straitened circumstances.

Lifelong supporters of the National Trust cannot expect that charity to provide their families with a mini-stately home for life. Nor is War on Want likely to undertake the feeding of a voracious family. But there are charities which, if circumstances permit, will be prepared to help a family in the event of difficulty after a death.

There must be times when every family is at risk to a greater or lesser degree—before life assurance has been arranged or if it expires too early, or where the income producer is kept alive in hospital for months, perhaps unconscious, and income from an employer or a permanent health insurance policy is not forthcoming.

As a long-stop, therefore, it can be a good plan to list some of the charities which might be prepared to help the family. Many specialist charities (catering for those in specific occupations, industries or vocations) feel that they are not reaching all potential beneficiaries, simply because widows and orphans are unaware of their existence.

For those who spent some time in the Services, there is the Royal British Legion, and most regiments have their charitable funds. Then, each occupation or profession usually has its own fund, to which you may have contributed over the years.

Here are some, picked at random: The Bankers' Benevolent Society Ltd; Barristers' Benevolent Institution; Benevolent Fund of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (there is a similar fund for civil engineers); the Hotel and Catering Benevolent Association; and the National Advertising Benevolent Society.

Besides the many "specialist" funds (and many people are likely to be eligible for help from two or more such funds) there are more general charities which may be able to help, such as the Professional Classes Aid Council—described as being for the relief of distress among professional and other highly educated classes and their dependants—Friends of the Elderly, Gentlefolks Help and many more.

If the names of charities which may be able to help your dependants are left with your papers, it can be argued that it is morally right to give what support is practicable to these charities, preferably by covenant, in view of the "discipline" which it imposes, and the fact that the charity can recover tax—although at no more than the basic rate, whatever may have been one's marginal rate of tax.

Not everybody leaves notes about the charities which can be approached. As a result, throughout the country, there are probably many widows and others living in difficult conditions who could be helped, if only the charities knew about them. Perhaps all of us should do more, not only in giving to charity, but also in helping to bring to the attention of charities cases which they would be able to help.

The problems often lies in knowing what charities are operating. For instance, it may not be generally known that La Providence provides flats for people of Huguenot descent "and small outgifts"; and that the Theatrical Ladies' Guild of Charity is prepared to help everyone who has worked in the theatre, including stage and wardrobe staff, box office staff and so on.

There are charities to help, among others, single daughters of gentlefolk and widows living within five miles of Charing Cross. Some charities can help only in certain local areas.

It can be argued that there are too many charities and that amalgamations would increase efficiency. Experience shows, however, that, almost certainly the total of donations would drop quite sharply.

It looks, therefore, as though the present position may continue — with individuals throughout the country putting an enormous amount of voluntary effort into seeing that, as far as possible, charities raise money effectively and disburse it to good effect.

John Drummond

Pensions

State scheme's poor deal for young widows

When the new state pension scheme was first announced there was a great fanfare about the 100 per cent widow's pension and the introduction of widowers' pensions. Both, by some quirk of logic, are regarded on occasions as steps forward towards the equality of women.

But the presentation of problems in terms of equality or inequality of the sexes is to be deplored in relation to pension schemes, as indeed in most areas of society. There are needs which ought to be met, and changes in the benefit structure of state or occupational schemes ought to be judged from their success in meeting them and alleviating hardship.

So judged, the new state scheme is sadly lacking.

The provision for the surviving partner, whether widow or widower, is as satisfactory as the original pensioner's own pension, if the survivor is past pensionable age—60 in the case of a woman and 65 in the case of a man. In this case, the benefit payable is technically a retirement pension, and not a widow's or dependant's pension.

The survivor inherits, in principle, the rights conferred by the deceased partner's contributions. Thus, if she did not qualify for the flat rate retirement pension in her own right, a widow qualifies by virtue of her late husband's contributions. Of course, she cannot qualify twice.

Similarly, in relation to the earnings-related element, she will be entitled to add her late husband's earnings-related record to her own (if she has one). Thus she can go on receiving in full any earnings-related pension of her own, and add to it the earnings-related element of her husband's pension, provided that the total is not more than the maximum which one person could have earned.

This applies equally to a widower, who can similarly inherit his late wife's earnings-related pension up to the state scheme's upper ceiling.

Because these pensions are retirement pensions—not dependants' pensions—they continue for the lifetime of the survivor. The provisions by which a pension is discontinued on remarriage or cohabitation apply only to widows' pensions for women under the age of 60.



In praise of older women—("the widow's pension is payable in full only to a widow who is over the age of 50 when her husband dies . . .").

This is but one of the unsatisfactory features for younger widows and widowers—"younger" in this case meaning under state pensionable age. I have commented before in these columns on the cessation of widows' pensions on remarriage and particularly on the contrast with the suspension on cohabitation.

As regards widowers, there is no pension provision at all for a husband whose wife dies before he reaches the age of 65. There is thus a substantial difference—or will be once the new scheme reaches maturity—in the position of a widower if his wife died after he reached 65.

Widows' benefits also vary in adequacy according to age, although in this case there is no abrupt cut-off at the date of retirement. There are two features which contribute to the inadequacy of the pension paid to widows in many cases.

First, the structure of the new earnings related widow's pension is all wrong. The amount is based on the pension earned to the time the husband dies. This means that it builds up year by year over the working lifetime of the husband, just as his own personal pension entitlement builds up year by year.

The principle is wrong for widows' pensions. The husband cannot become entitled to his personal pension before he is 65 and he must therefore build up an entitlement to the full pension. There are problems about anyone who suffers long term sickness, but even here the crediting of contributions, combined with the rule which bases the pension on the best twenty years, will cater for most circumstances.

A widow's pension, however, which can only become payable when the husband dies, must be based on less than a full career of contributions, apart from those who are already pensioners.

The effect is that the amount of earnings-related benefit which will be paid to the young widow—whose husband will normally have been young, too, and therefore not contributing for very many years—will be totally inadequate.

In the first 20 years of the scheme, while benefits are builing up in respect of contributions after April, 1978, the same shortcoming will apply to all widows, young or old. But this is merely a reflection of the gradual build-up of the new scheme, and not related specifically to widows. For a scheme—as this one is—based on the pay-as-you-go principle, this long maturity period is quite unjustifiable both for widows and for the employee himself.

The flat-rate widow's pension is payable in full, in addition to the earnings-related element, to those who qualify for it. And here is the second major inadequacy of the state widow's pension. Neither the existing flat rate widow's pension nor the new earnings-related element is payable of right to all widows.

There is a temporary allowance, called "Widow's Allowance", to allow a widow to readjust her life; there is also a "Widowed Mother's Allowance", which is payable to a widow with children to bring up. Both these cease after a time.

The widow's pension is payable in full only to a widow over the age of 50 when her husband dies or, if she has young children, when they grow up. There is a reduced benefit for a widow between 40 and 50.

All three of these benefits are flat rate payments and were operative before April, 1978. The new earnings-related element is payable under similar conditions regarding age, so that a younger widow will not receive the earnings-related widow's pension, either, if she is not entitled to the flat rate widow's pension.

It was suggested recently in Parliament that a widow should become entitled to a widow's pension on attaining the age of 50, even if she had not previously qualified. Mr Stanley Orme, the minister responsible, turned this down on the grounds that "a young widow has a better opportunity of obtaining and remaining in employment than a woman widowed at 50 or over. By the time the younger woman reaches age 50, she will probably be settled in employment and there are therefore no reasonable grounds for increasing her widow's pension from that age."

This really is not good enough. It may be true that many widows go back to work, but their chances of getting a good job are greatly reduced. Even among married women who work full time, there are many who are satisfied with a more modest level of responsibility and remuneration in order to devote their energies to their homes—and, of course, many work part-time.

It is not easy for such women to earn as much as they would have done had they not been married, and perhaps brought up a family. This is particularly the case when jobs are difficult to find.

The result is that, because the rules are made to fit the general pattern, as the Government sees it, there are a large number of widows who are left without provision at all, and suffer real financial hardship.

Eric Brunet

Investor's week

A sparkle in the market

The champagne corks popped in the Stock Exchange at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon to mark the retirement of three senior jobbers. But the feeling of well-being also typified the general sentiment of a market which had ended the account with a net gain, despite a general lack of good news.

Some market men who have been bearish are beginning to expect a further rise in prices as the general weight of money which is coming in prevents the large investors from selling out. At the close yesterday the *FT* industrial share index stood at 471.7, up 18.3 on the account. However, much of the improvement, which on Thursday made the market its best day for almost six months, was due to technical factors. Two of the largest jobbing firms, Wedd, Durlacher and Smith Brothers ended their financial year yesterday and, in buying stock to dress their books, triggered a classic bear squeeze.

On the week the index rose 10.7 points, but the number of bargains marked again centred around the 5,000 mark as jobbers marked up stock to cover a shortage of

On Monday, which proved to be the quietest day of the week with less than 4,400 bargains marked, Rothmans International and several of the stores shares were helped by bears running for cover. Oils were also firm after broker's circular on Shell and dividend hopes from Ultramar.

News that the Indian government is to auction gold from its reserves influenced gold shares, but government securities had a better day, encouraged by a more optimistic view of the money supply. The improved feeling did not continue into the next session, however, where the weakness of sterling left both shorts and longs down on the day.

The market ended the week on a quiet note with the new long tap stock opening at a full point discount.

The first full week's business on the traded options podium exceeded market expectations and the volume compared favourably with that start of options trading in Amsterdam earlier this month.

Alison Mitchell

MAIN CHANGES OF THE WEEK

Rises

Year's high	Year's low	Comment	Price	Comment
355p	207p	Furness Withy	25p to 246p	Ahead of figures
195p	134p	Lasmo	18p to 176p	Results
134p	48p	M L Holdings	18p to 126p	Takeover talk
150p	67p	Piccadilly Theatre	25p to 140p	Speculative buying
328p	76p	Redfearn	28p to 315p	Monopolies speculation

Falls

353p	227p	Barclays	7p to 340p	Jobbers long on stock
258p	142p	EMI	11p to 145p	Two bearish circulars
187p	70p	Latraset	21p to 142p	Profit taking
100p	52p	Norwest Holst	3p to 85p	DoT appeal lost
228p	90p	Sunley B	4p to 170p	Interest rates worries

Societies the wrong target?

The sweet smell of success that has surrounded the unit trust industry since the announcement of record sales in March was soured somewhat earlier this week by a speech from Mr Edgar Palamountain, chairman of the Unit Trust Association, at its annual general meeting.

Such occasions normally involve everyone being nice to each other and a burying, rather than a wielding, of hatchets. But Mr Palamountain chose instead to mount a minor offensive on the building societies, at present everybody's favourite Aunt Sally.

The burden of his argument was that the building societies were taking a very large proportion of the voluntary savings market and that this was not a particularly good thing. Building societies, he claims, are "an admirable home for short-term money". For long-term investment, however, equities and unit trusts were the thing.

One simply must take issue with this notion. The theory may be right, but the practice is something different.

Money Management's Unitholder index (which tracks average performances) shows that over the last five years someone who put his savings into a building society would have done far better. For the £1,000 invested in the average unit trust is worth £1,134 (or a rise of 13.4 per cent), while the appreciation of compound interest on a building society account would be far higher.

It obviously depends on the timescale used for plotting the figures, but Mr Palamountain is batting on a sticky wicket in suggesting that building societies have not proved a good long-term investment when compared with unit trusts or other savings media—although, to be fair, none has done particularly well when viewed in the context of inflation.

Much of the small savings flowing into building societies are earmarked for eventual spending on home ownership. Mr Palamountain does not believe that this channelling of funds into investment in housing is particularly good for the economy. Perhaps not, but home ownership remains the Englishmen's dream: what is more, it has proved a good long-term investment.

Mr Palamountain is attacking the wrong subject. An end to dividend restraint, the investment income surcharge and the still ridiculously penal higher tax rates is what is needed to restore equity or unit trust investment to its proper place in investors' priorities.

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National Savings

Two weeks ago we pointed out that the virtues of the current 14th issue of National Savings on sale until une, telling everyone to get their maximum allocation of £1,500. Well, the advice was good but one detail was wrong—the maximum holding is only £1,000. Our apologies both to the countless readers who pointed out the mistake, and to those who didn't.

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Unicorn Capital	10.7	19.9
Prudential	10.7	41.2
Glen Fund	10.2	30.3
Wickmoor	9.9	35.8
London Wll Cap Gth	9.8	28.8
Ulster Bank Gth	9.6	19.1
Abbey General	9.5	34.6
Britannia Domestic	9.5	26.5
Tyndall Int Earnings	9.5	33.2
NPI Growth Accum F	9.3	31.4
TSB Scottish	9.3	37.5
Lloyds Bank First	9.2	34.6
Equity & Law	9.1	43.9
Mutual Security Plus	9.0	42.9
Trades Union	8.9	63.2
	8.7	4.0
Great Winchester M	8.7	35.5
Barrington	8.6	34.2
Hill Samuel Security	8.6	32.4
Family Fund	8.5	40.7
Canlife General	8.4	16.4
Arbuthnot Giants	8.1	26.7
British Life	8.1	34.4
Hill Samuel British	8.1	24.7
Worldwide	7.5	27.4
Crescent Reserves	7.0	26.3
Alben Trust	6.8	33.8
Allied Growth & Inc	6.3	35.8
Arbuthnot Small Cos	6.3	42.4
Target Thistle	6.2	—
Mayflower General	6.2	37.7
Royal Trust Income	6.1	37.9
Wieler Growth F	6.1	15.0
National West Growth	6.0	3.3
Oceanic General	5.9	23.0
Intel	5.5	—
Nat West Portfolio	5.5	74.2
Piccadilly Technology	5.5	18.1
Target Equity	5.3	19.2
Lloyds Bank Second	5.0	25.9
Pearl Unit Trust	4.2	—
Cumberland	3.3	23.7
Mutual "Blue Chip"	3.1	35.1
Rowan Merlin	3.1	25.9
Nelstar	3.0	25.8
Buckingham	1.1	6.0
Piccadilly Accum	−4.6	6.2
Marlborough	−5.0	−11.5
Piccadilly Int Earns	−6.3	

INCOME	A	B
Framlington Income	43.7	153.7
L & C Income	30.6	—
Allied Ham High Yld	30.3	95.3
M & G High Income	29.2	104.9
Schroder Income F	28.5	116.2
Allied High Income	28.2	59.8

Gartmore Income	26.2	72.9
Prolific High Inc	25.9	62.9
Wickmoor Dividend	25.7	—
Capel Income	25.4	—
Henderson High Inc	25.1	86.1
Gartmore High Inc	24.9	123.4
Quadrant Income	24.8	—
GT Income	24.7	74.3
M & G Extra Yield	24.5	83.6
Barrington High Yld	23.9	—
Tyndall Scottish Inc	23.0	74.4
Aurony Gibbs Income	22.8	—
Target Income	22.6	76.8
Vanguard High Yield	22.5	—
Alben Income	22.5	49.1
Chieftain High Inc	21.7	—
S & P High Return	21.0	71.6
Key Income	20.7	52.7
Britannia Inc & Gro	20.7	40.9
Britannia Extra Inc	20.4	51.6
Unicorn Extra Income	20.2	63.9
Charterhouse Inc.	20.1	36.2
Mayflower Income	19.7	—
Anshacher Inc Mthly	19.1	—
M & G Dividend	19.1	68.8
Brit Nat High Inc	18.8	44.9
Rowan High Yield	18.5	60.8
Hill Samuel High Yd	18.3	60.9
Oceanic High Income	18.3	51.6
Carliol High Yield F	18.0	—
Allied Equity Income	17.2	51.1
Bridge Income	17.0	51.2
London Wall Ex Inc	16.6	—
Mid Drayton Inc	16.5	53.8
Arbuthnot High Inc	16.2	52.8
New Court Income	16.0	33.6
Lawson High Yield	15.9	54.7
Sebag Income	15.8	40.5
Mutual High Yield	15.3	46.8
Crescent High Distr	14.9	35.6
Tyndall Income	14.9	37.1
S & P Income	14.8	39.6
Target Extra Inc	14.7	73.7
Unicorn Income	14.5	58.6
Canlife Income	14.4	50.5
Trident Income	14.3	29.8
Brit Life Divi	14.2	60.5
Piccadilly Extra Inc	13.9	38.0
Lond Wall High Inc	13.7	70.3
Arbuthnot Extra Inc	13.6	92.3
S & P Select Income	13.4	44.8
S & P Scotyields	12.2	36.3
Mid Drayton High Yd	11.5	—
Abbey Income	11.2	50.4
S & P High Yield	11.0	35.8
Hill Samuel Income	10.8	48.5
National West Ex Inc	10.1	—
Nat & Com Inc F	9.0	37.3
Lloyds Bank Third	8.8	39.5
National West Inc	8.4	28.3
Mutual Income	7.1	45.2
Pearl Income	6.8	42.5

A: Change since April 28, 1977, offer to bid, income reinvested.
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M: Trust valued monthly.
F: Trust valued every two weeks.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

EMI weakness drags on the index

Equities were not able to consolidate Thursday's strong gains, but the gilts market, relieved at an unchanged MLR, closed up to half a point higher and at their best levels of the day.

The inability of the industrial market to make further progress stemmed mainly from the weakness of EMI, an index stock, which slumped badly on bearish circulars from Phillips & Drew and Savory Milln and disappointing figures from the Capitol subsidiary. Dealers estimated than an 11p drop in the share price to 145p after 142p accounted for at least half of a 2.1 fall in the *FT* Index to 465.7, which left it 10.7 better on the week and 18.3 higher over the two-week account.

Once the interate-rate fears of the gilts market had been allayed, longer-dated stocks managed to hold on to early gains which had stretched to half a point. Gilts held steady for most of the session but did show signs of life, after-hours registering small gains.

The new long "tap" was a full point below its £30 partly-paid price when it started trading. But it later gained ground to close at a discount of just 50p.

Though trading was generally dull the equity market was determined not to end a good week without a celebration. The champagne corks popped to mark the retirement of two well-known personalities from jobber Pinchin Denny—Messrs Allen Diggens and Percy Maxted—with James Greenwood of Wedd Durlacher also retiring.

EMI apart, most of the leading industrial shares ended with the gains of several pence. Outstanding was Fisons where a spillover of the previous day's closing lifted the shares, which are traditionally thin, 13p to 353p.

More typical were gains of 3p to 640p from Beechams, 4p to 506p from Unilever and 5p to 540p from Glaxo.

Yet another denial of takeover intent from Tiger Oats clipped 7p to 242p from J. Bibby while ML Holdings, strong all week on takeover speculation, fell 8p to 126p as profits were taken at the end of the account. Castings continued to go ahead on the bid approach, rising another 12p to 45p, while the prospect of a favourable monopolies decision helped Redfearn Glass to put on 18p to 315p.

Initially firm on a statement from its United States associate, Sohio, BP fell back to an unchanged 800p. Siebens was a strong feature, rising 11p to 300p.

The disappointing figures from Wheatsheaf made no impact on the shares at 198. Bidder Linfood managed to hold on to a 5p gain at 145p in spite of a forecast of lower profits contained in the offer document. This was no worse than expectations.

After losing its appeal against a DoT inquiry, Norwest Holst slipped 4p to 85p, while elsewhere in buildings Laing "A" gained 8p to 132p in front of next week's figures and Tarmac put on 3p to 154p as a further reflection of figures.

Saga Holidays, which was offered for sale at 105p on March 16, continued its progress with a rise of 3p to 136p, while renewed takeover talk had Phoenix Timber 6p to the good at 152p.

Rubbers and teas featured Warren Holdings, up 17p to 225p on a chart "buy" recommendation and Sogomana where the gain was 10p to 155p.

Recent good profits helped for a rise of 5p to 73p in Automated Securities and another up sharply for similar reasons was Jefferson Smurfit, by 18p to 203p. In insurance, Minet strengthened a further 8p to 186p on this week's figures.

A scrip and property revaluation accompanying profits lifted Prince of Wales Hotels 15p to 145p. The chairman's report helped Lex Service to put on 4p to 82p. But sharply lowetr profits hit S. Lyles to the tune of 4p to 56p.

After hours, there was a late spurt on Peachey Property which is due to report figures next week and suddenly put on 4p for a finish of 81p. Hammerson "A" did little after earlier figures to close at 530p.

In drinks, Allied Breweries continued to climb, adding another 1½p to 86½p of further consideration of the Price Commission report.

Youghal Carpets have slumped from 42p to 32p since it dismayed the market just over a week ago. It then reported a plunge into losses and no final dividend. The nervousness is about the rock bottom prices Youghal were forced to accept to run down stocks. These disposals will probably make recovery in an industry burdened with surplus capacity extremely slow. Gearing is also high. The shares still look exposed.

Marks & Spencer's textile suppliers have lately been happy to find themselves faced with some very heavy garment ordering from the High Street giant. Apparently M & S, at 146p, are expecting a real volume take-off in clothes in the second half of this year with the main beneficiaries being Albert Martin, Carrington Viyella and Nottingham Manufacturing.

Equity turnover on April 27 was £82.57m (16,415 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were EMI, BP, ICI, Shell, Lloyds Bank, Beecham, Bibby, Turner & Newall, Northern Engineering, Siebens Oil, Redfearn and Lex Service.

Latest results

Company	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Int or Fin						
Allebone (F)	11.16(9.64)	0.22(0.16)	2.66(1.78)	0.8(0.65)	9/6	1.0(1.0)
Brook St Bur (F)	13.88(10.39)	0.90(0.67)	5.22(3.78)	3.03(3.03)	—	4.2(4.2)
Burrell (F)	9.26(8.61)	0.30(0.92)	1.12(1.96)	0.49(0.36)	—	0.92(0.6)
Cmpbll & Istr (F)	—(—)	0.61(0.60)	—(—)	2.9(2.72)	1/7	2.9(2.72)
Construct Hldgs (I)	0.08(0.16)	0.13(0.07)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Cope Sprtswr (F)	6.34(4.63)	0.43(0.30)	4.39(4.39)	0.24(0.21)	—	0.48(0.43)
Glasgow Pav (F)	0.34(0.30)	0.06a (0.008a)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Hwkins & Tpsn (I)	8.6(8.16)	0.52(0.52)	—(—)	1.0(1.0)	28/7	—(3.9)
James Halstead (I)	8.74(7.09)	0.10(0.08)	—(—)	0.22(Nil)	19/6	—(0.32)
Hammersn Prp (F)	—(—)	4.89(3.83)	9.27(8.36)	5.46(4.97)	—	5.46(4.97)
Hawley-Good'll (F)	1.38(1.53)	0.09a(0.05a)	—(—)	Nil(Nil)	—	Nil(Nil)
A Henriques (F)	2.34(2.15)	0.07(0.17)	—(—)	1.41(1.41)	30/5	1.7(1.7)
Hse Prp Ldn (F)	—(—)	0.009(0.04a)	0.04(4.9a)	1.75(1.25)	21/6	1.75(1.25)
M P Kent (I)	5.24(4.03)	0.38(0.40)	—(—)	0.66(0.60)	26/5	—(—)
S Lyles (I)	4.48(4.76)	0.10(0.35)	1.42(4.73)	2.0(2.0)	3/7	—(4.4)
Maple (F)	19.95(22.15)	0.14(1.72a)	—(6.3a)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Martin-Black (F)	12.64(14.17)	0.25a(1.26)	2.0a(10.07)	2.0(2.4)	30/5	4.0(4.4)
Office & Elec (F)	17.6(13.41)	1.92(1.77)	15.2(13.76)	2.8(2.5)	4/7	4.07(3.69)
Pochins (I)	5.7(5.36)	0.43(0.18)	—(—)	0.87(0.87)	30/6	—(4.1)
P W Hotels	3.82(2.79)	0.21(0.04)	22.02(3.91)	2.5(2.28)	—	2.5(2.28)
RCF Hlds (I)	7.36(5.92)	0.12(0.07)	—(—)	0.87(0.87)	3/7	—(2.72)
Silhouette (F)	13.48(11.53)	0.80(0.53)	10.15(11.02)	2.54(2.5)	—	3.27(3.21)
S Simpson (I)	9.63(8.12)	0.84(0.64)	—(—)	1.31(1.31)	3/7	—(—)
Towles (F)	8.16(5.88)	0.74(0.46)	14.46(8.83)	1.66(1.51)	1/7	1.66(1.51)
Toye (F)	5.2(4.23)	0.21(0.15)	7.8(3.32)	1.25(0.81)	2/6	1.25(0.81)
Whtmn Reeve (F)	8.98(7.98)	1.35(1.42)	38.59(38.08)	1.81(1.81)	—	4.05(3.63)
Wheatsht Dis (F)	426.0(343.9)	3.1(6.21)	16.6(39.2)	4.0(3.05)	7/7	7.5(5.5)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.515. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. a Loss.

International

BP likely to buy control of SOHIO

British Petroleum is expected to acquire a majority stake in Standard Oil (Ohio) during the present quarter, says Sohio's chairman, Mr Almon W. Whitehouse.

BP and Sohio share production from the Alaska North Slope. If production continues at more than 1.3m barrels a day Sohio's share will be 525,000 b/d, giving BP a stock interest of 51.3 per cent.

Mr Whitehouse predicts substantially higher earnings for this year, and says that Alaska oil "is now the dominant factor in our earnings and will be for many years".

Zurich Ins US fears

Zurich Insurance, the Swiss insurance giant, reported net profits of 43.2m francs (about £13.9m) for 1977, up 13 per cent. Similar growth is expected this year.

But the company's president, Mr Fritz Gerber, warned that competition in the United States was intensifying and could cut profits there in 1979, if not sooner.

Electrolux buoyant

AB Electrolux said in Stockholm that it expects 1978 profits to rise about 10 per cent folowing the increase in 1977 pre-tax profit to 513.8m kroner from 424.6m kroner.

Group sales should rise to almost 12,000m kroner from 9.240m kroner partly due to inclusion of the new acquisitions Husqvarna AB of Sweden and Therma AG of Switzerland.

But the higher 1978 earnings forecast is limited to 10 per cent because the two new companies are not expected to contribute significantly to profits before 1979.—Reuter.

High St price war takes toll of Linfood and Wheatsheaf

By Tony May

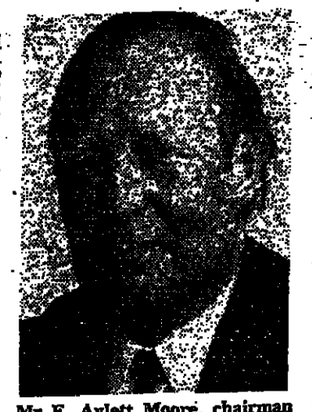
The two groups in the agreed £34m grocery chain bid— Linfood Holdings and Wheatsheaf *Distribution and rading*—have both been hit by the high street price war.

In the offer document from Linfood the group implies that its profits slipped in the year to April 29. hTe forecast is that profits "will exceed £5m". Last year they reached a record £5.8m.

Wheatsheaf reports separately that its pre-tax profits were halved to £3m over the year to February 25 despite increasing turnover by 24.1 per cent to £426m.

At half time, Wheatsheaf hoped its profits in the second half would be similar to the £3.8m made in 1976-77. But in the event it made only £1.5m. The group's earnings a share have dropped from 39.2p to 16.6p, but the gross dividend is lifted from 8.5p to 11.3p.

The greatest strain on profits and sales was felt in the wholesale trade, which supplies the VG service members, and other independent customers. Profits at the cash and carry wholesalers were not seriously affected.



Mr E. Aylett Moore, chairman of Wheatsheaf.

The group also a hypermarket chain which has been ruaning at a loss.

The New Birmingham superstore opened in time to be badly hurt by the price war but it soon broke-even and the board is happy that this division will make a profit.

If the bid succeeds, combined annual sales will be about £800m, representing some 8 per cent of the £10,000m food market. The two board's aim to use the increased influence of the larger company to allow the smaller grocer to compete with the major supermarket group's. The new group plans a two-pronged attack on the market via the wholesale and retail sides.

Against the background of the price war Mr E. Aylett Moore, the chairman of Wheatsheaf, says that action has to be taken. The independent shopkeeper has to be sustained in order to prevent real hardship in the villages and towns. The "multiple dominated" high street and shopping centres must not be allowed to drive the small shops and businesses to extinction, he says.

Rent reviews help in Hammerson advance

By Brian Appleyard

Hammerson Property & Investment Trust increased profits by 28 per cent in 1977 and earnings a share from 8.36p to 9.27p.

Pre-tax profits rose from £3.8m to £4.9m with the help of rent reviews and the general fall in the level of interest rates during the year.

With a tax charge increased from 44 per cent to 50 per cent minorities up from £804,000 to £964,000, extraordinary income down from £3.6m to £1.9m and deferred interest and other development ourgoings written off, this leaves distributable profit up from £1.04m to £1.2m.

The fall in extraordinary income reflects the lack of any significant property sales, a pattern that is being reflected in the current year. In accordance with the usual accounting policy the extraordinary income has been used to accelerate the write-off of deferred interest and other development outgoings incurred in previous years in relation to other properties.

The dividend has been increased by the maximum permitted to 8.3p gross. The shares were unchanged at 530p yesterday.

Ultramar hedges on dividend

By Our Financial Editor

Ultramar is still undecided about whether it will break with tradition in 1978 and pay a cash dividend instead of scrip. Its chairman, Mr Campbell Nelson, indicates in his annual statement that such a course is very much in the board's mind.

"Next year", he says, "we shall have a different situation. We shall be looking at our 1978 results which will contain a full year of Indonesian liquefied natural gas sales, whereas in 1977 we only started sales in August and at a level greatly below that anticipated for 1978.

"Altogether, as you will see in our operations report, we expect the group to do considerably better than it did in 1977. What we do with our 1978 profits is best determined when we meet next year."

In hedging its position on whether to pay a dividend, Ultramar obviously has in mind the outcome of the new North Sea sixth round licensing negotiations. For the first time it will enter the lists with a new consortium announced earlier this week in which Ultramar will be the operator with the other partners being Pan-Canadian Petroleum and Houston Oil-Minerals Corporation.

Operating profits by Ultramar rose from £12.3m to £24.7m last year, and the group reported operational cash flow of £26.5m against £17.5m. The proposed scrip is one for 15 shares held.

Office & Electronic again at best-ever

Record results have been returned for the third year running by Office & Electronic Machines, which has the sole agency in the United Kingdom for the distribution of the Adler, Imperial and Triumph range of typewriters. On turnover 14 per cent up at £17.6m, pre-tax profits expanded by 8.6 per cent in 1977 to £1.92m. With earnings a share up from 13.76p to 15.2p, the total dividend, gross, is being lifted from 5.61p to 6.17p. On a pre-tax basis, margins contracted slightly.

Rio Algom down 19 pc in first quarter

Rio Algom, the Canadian uranium and copper producer which is 51.3 per cent owned by Rio Tinto-Zinc, made *consolidated net earnings* of $Can15.8m for the same period last year.

The fall is attributed by the company to lower earnings from uranium. In the first quarter of 1977 earnings from this source were raised by the renegotiation of export contract prices.

W Hargreaves merges with London agent

W. Hargreaves, the Leeds-based stockbroker, is to merge with Sheppards & Chase on May 1, and Mr Wilfred Hargreaves, senior partner, will join the new partnership. The *business will continue to operate* from the present office at Weetwood Chambers, Albion Street, Leeds.

W. Hargreaves, which was established in 1937, has an extensive clientele throughout Yorkshire and Lancashire and, since incorporation, has used Sheppards & Chase as its London agent.

Whatman Reeve pays more

Although turnover of Whatman Reeve Angel rose from £7.98m to £8.97m in 1977, pre-tax profits fell from £1.42m to £1.35m. Earnings per share, however, were slightly better at 38.59p, compared with 38.08p and the total gross dividend rises from 5.35p to 6.13p. Whatman makes laboratory equipment.

Maple in black after three years

After three years of heavy losses, Maple & Co (Holdings), the furniture retailers, has made its hoped-for return to profits. In the year to January 28, a pre-tax profit of £148,000 was achieved, compared with a loss of £1.72m, after interest down from £1.92m to £1.06m. Turnover fell from £22.15m to £19.95m.

Maple can be expected at least to pay the arrears and resume the payment of preference dividends in the current year, the board declares.

Brook St Bureau fighting back

Recovering after the setback a few years ago, the Brook Street Bureau of Mayfair raised its pre-tax profits by 34 per cent to £904,000 last year. Turnover was a third higher at £13.88m. The total gross dividend is 6.36p against 6.46p. In the first quarter of the current year there has been an increased growth rate in the United Kingdom and a reduction in Australian losses.

Hilleshog seeks rest of Miln Marsters

Hilleshog now owns 1.08m Miln Marsters Group ordinary (51.4 per cent) and under Rule 34 of the takeover ..
34 of the Takeover Code is to make an offer to buy the outstanding minority. This will be 200p cash for each ordinary of Miln Marsters and unconditional as to acceptances.

Hawley-Goodall buys Streets Automatic

Hawley-Goodall has reached agreement with Renwick-Skelsey Holdings for the purchase of Streets Automatic Machine, a private company, for up to 1.16m ordinary shares in Hawley-Goodall, which is about 18 per cent of the enlarged ordinary share capital at a current market price of £122,000.

Strikes put Martin-Black in the red

A series of industrial stoppages at Martin-Black, resulted in a pre-tax profit of £1.27m being turned into a loss of £253,000 for 1977. Sales of the wire rope group also fell back from £14.17m to £12.64m. Meantime the group is continuing to make stringent economies an dto strive for more efficiency.

Forecasts by the operating companies indicate that they should be operating profitably in 1978.

Lex Service celebrates jubilee quarter

Lex Service Group's golden jubilee year started with a record first quarter, benefiting from the exceptionally high level of new car registrations andf rom the strength of sterling against the Swedish kroner over the last few months. Mr Trevor Chinn, chairman, told the annual meeting. But, while the present conditions may not continue throughout the year, results to date induce confidence that pre-tax profits for the first half of 1978 will be "not less than £8m", against £5.39m.

CONSTRUCTION HOLDINGS
Turnover for six months to December 31, £86,000 (£165,000). Pre-tax profit £132,000 (£73,000). Second half may show some improvement.

James Shipstone still a target for a bid

James Shipstone & Sons, the Nottingham-based brewers who recently fought off a takeover bid from Northern Foods, are still finding themselves a popular bid target. Northern Foods, the milk, beer and foods group, conceded defeat in its £13m bid to take control of Shipstone earlier this month.

But since that offer lapsed, other approaches have been received, Mr R. D. Combe, *Shipstone's chairman*, told the annual meeting. At present, talks are taking place, but the chairman is not in a position to tell shareholders whether any of these discussions will result in an offer being made that the board would wish to recommend. However, a further announcement will be made in due course.

Bronx Eng faces setback

Profits at Bronx Engineering are expected to fall "considerably below" the £790,000 record achieved in 1977. Mr G. B. Crosthwaite, chairman, says that orders have been affected by the lack of confidence on the part of buyers in various sectors because of the world recession. The group's order intake is therefore not making the progress seen in the past few years.

BURRELL & CO
Although 1977's turnover rose from £8.61m to £9.25m, pre-tax profits tumbled from £927,300 to £300,700. As forecast, total dividend of 1.4p gross, against 1p, is being paid. Trading continues difficult.

SCOT ONTARIO INV
Gross revenue for year to March 31, £1.14m (£1.01m). E.P.S. 4.30p (3.70p). Total dividend 6.2p gross (5.5p). Scrip of one-for-one.

TOWLES
Trnover for year to March 19 £8.16m (£5.87m). Pre-tax profit £748,000 (£464,000). EPS 14.46p (8.83p). Dividend 2.25p gross (2.13p).

SILHOUETTE (LONDON)
Pre-tax profits, £301,000 (£527,000) on *turnover* of £13m (£11m). Total gross payment raised from 4.89p to 4.94p. First-quarter sales in current year about 15 per cent up, but group still working below capacity.

DEELKRAAL ISSUE
Deelkraal, a gold mine being developed by Gold Fields of South Africa, is to raise R50m through the issue of 36.54m shares at 130 cents, 20 cents nominal. Issue is to raise cash to finance next stage of mine's development. Offer closes on April 21.

LAND & HOUSE PROPERTY
Proposal to holders of £1.18m 10½pc first mortgage debenture stock, 2000-05, for repayment at par on July 31.

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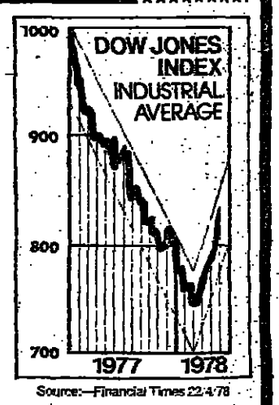
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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Options

The traded options market ended its first full week's trading on a quieter note with only 338 contracts marked. However dealers were satisfied with the volume of business which compared favourably with the start of options trading in Amsterdam earlier this month, given the relative size and costs of the two operations.

Consolidated Goldfields saw most of the action with 62 options dealt and the most active of the stocks were January 160, down 2p at 29p and July 180 which lost a similar amount to 11p.

GEC had a quiet day in front of a new series which will be created on Tuesday at an exercise price of 260p while investors tended to steer clear of BP and Shell, also likely to see new series over the next week or so.

Marks & Spencer saw some business in its January 160 which climbed 1½p to 12p with 18 options traded. A total of 22 contracts were dealt in Land Securities with all but two being traded in January 180s which rose a ½p to 31p.

JAMES HALSTEAD
On turnover up from £7.09m to £8.73m, pre-tax profits rose from £32,000 to £103,000 in the half-year to December 31. Interim dividend 0.33p gross. No interim last year, but final of 0.49p.

S. LYLES
Turnover down from £4.76m to £4.47m, and pre-tax profits from £358,000 to £107,000 for half-year to December 31. Second-half's results will show "notable improvement".

ACF HOLDINGS
Turnover for half-year to January 31, of £7.36m (£5.92m), pre-tax profit, £120,000 (£73,000). Though stocks at high level, group net assets show "significant improvement".

PRINCE OF WALES HOTELS
Turnover for 1977, £3.82m (£2.78m). Pre-tax profit, £376,000 (£35,000). Revaluation of properties show surplus of £949,000; two-for-one scrip.

POCHIN'S
Turnover for six months to November 30 £5.7m (£5.36m). Net profit before tax £431,000 (£188,000). Interim dividend 1.32p gross (same).

Wall Street

New York, April 28.—The New York stock market forged ahead overcoming onslaughts of profit-taking prompted by rising interest rates and inflation's gains.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 10.40 points at 837.32 after bouncing up and down through much of the session.

Some 929 issues advanced with 534 declining.

Volume totalled 32.85 million shares compared with 35.47 million yesterday.

Analysts said the buying demand among institutions and foreign investors appeared irressible as the market fought off the profit-taking that pushed down the industrial average 10.05 points yesterday. Brokers said the selling to nail down gains was encouraged by the Federal Reserve's credit tightening yesterday—the second in about a week.

The industrial average was on the rise in mid-session when Chase Manhattan Bank raised its prime rate to 8¼ per cent

Gold down slightly

GOLD closed up to $1.70 lower, NY COMEX: May, $169.90; June, $170.60; July, $171.60; Aug, $172.70; Oct, $174.30; Dec, $177.00; Feb, $179.30; April, $181.80; June, $184.40; Aug, $187.00; Oct, $189.60; Dec, $192.30; Feb, $195.00. CHICAGO IMM: June, 171.60-171.30; Sept, 173.90-173.50; Dec, 177.00; March, 180.40-180.60 bid; June, 183.80; Sept, 187.00; Dec, 190.00. **SILVER** futures churned in a narrow 3.00 cent range in spiritless dealings, closing 0.80 to 1.20 cents down. May, 497.10c; June, 499.50c; July, 503.00c; Sept, 510.30c; Dec, 521.00c; Jan, 525.90c; March, 533.40c; May, 542.10c; July, 550.50c; Sept, 559.00c; Dec, 572.00c; Jan, 576.40c; March, 585.30c. Handy & Harman 498.50c (499.00c). Handy & Harman of Canada $5.644 (5.664). **COPPER** closed very steady on estimated sales of 5,000.—May, 59.10c; June, 59.60c; July, 60.10c; Sept, 61.20c; Dec, 62.70c; Jan, 63.20c; March, 64.20c; May, 65.20c; July, 66.20c; Sept, 67.20c; Dec, 68.70c; Jan, 69.20c; March, 70.20c. **SUGAR** futures fluctuated in a tight 0.10-cent range, closing up 0.06 to 0.05-cent.—May, 7.47c; July, 7.50-91c; Sept, 8.15c; Oct, 8.34-35c; Jan, 8.60-55c; March, 9.04c; May, 9.18-21c; July, 9.34c; Sept, 9.40-45c. **COCOA** closed steady on estimated sales of 961.—May, 139.60c; July, 140.70c; Sept, 143.60c; Dec, 137.60c; March, 135.35c; May, 130.55c; July, 128.00c. **COFFEE** closed steady.—May, 174.75c; July, 154.00-25c; Sept, 138.40c; Dec, 123.25c; March, 118.10-75c; May, 114.50-59c; July, 113.50-90c; Sept, 110.00-5.00c. **COTTON** futures sold off to the lows in the closing minutes on local profit-taking.—May, 57.00-15c; July, 58.00-74c; Oct, 60.60c; Dec, 61.30-55c; March, 62.80c; May, 63.36-55c; July, 63.70c; Oct, 63.50c. **CHICAGO SOYABEANS:** Soyabean futures gained 16 to 4¼ cents a bushel. SOYABEANS, May, 721-23c; July, 702-05c; Aug, 677c; Sept, 640c; Nov, 609-11c; Jan, 616¼c; March, 623c; May, 625-26c. SOYABEAN OIL, May, 26.45-50c; July, 26.45-50c; Aug, 25.35-40c; Sept, 24.30c; Oct, 23.10c; Dec, 22.40-55c; Jan, 22.05c; March, 21.90-95c; May, 21.55-60c. SOYABEAN MEAL, May, $176.00; July, $177.60-80; Aug, $176.70-60; Sept, $171.00; Oct, $165.00; Dec, $163.50-4.00; Jan, $164.50-5.50; March, $168.00; May, $169.00. CHICAGO GRAINS: Wheat futures closed up 5¾ to two cents a bushel. WHEAT: May, 309-09¼c; July, 31¼c; Sept, 315¼-15c; Dec, 321c; March, 322-22½c; May, 322c. MAIZE: May, 251-50¼c; July, 246¼c; Sept, 247¼-44c; Dec, 245¼-45c; March, 252c; May, 256c. OATS: May, 138c; July, 145¼c; Sept, 151¼c; Dec, 156¼c; March, 158c nominal.

	Apr 27	Apr 28
Allied Chem … WCT	[illegible]	[illegible]

Canadian Prices: Abitibi, Alcan Alumin, Algoma Steel, Bell Telephone, Cominco, Cons Bathurst, Falconbridge, Gulf Oil, Hawker/Sid Can, Hudson Bay Min, Hudson Bay Oil, Imasco, Imperial Oil, Int Pipe, Mass.-Fergsn, Royal Trust, Seagram, Steel Co, Talcorp, Thomson N 'A', Walker Hiram, WCT — [illegible values]

• Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot 1.8252 (1.8307); three months, 1.8188 (1.8295); Canadian dollar 88.47 (88.30).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was 388.73. The futures index was 349.80.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 837.32 (826.92); transportation 223.58 (222.54); utilities 105.89 (105.89); 65 stocks, 288.48 (285.50).

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Automated Sec 8% Cnv Pf (£1)	185+3
Kensington Chel 11¼% 85-7 (£100)	£97¼
Do Variable 1982 (£100)	£100¾
Mid Sussex Wtr 7¾% 1983 (£)	£102
Preston S. 10¼% Ptly Cnv 1993-98	88
Saga Holidays 20p (ord (105))	137+3
Tameside 10¾% 1984-86 (£99¼)	£22¾
Do Variable 1983 (£99¼)	£100¾
York Wtr 11¼% 1986 (£98½)	£24-¼

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	
Fulleough (50)		70 prem
Int Bnk Aust (5A1 73g)	Mar 10	145
Lon and Manch (105)		29 prem+1
Turner Newall (152)		16 prem−4

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. a Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £20 paid. c £15 paid. d £30 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. h £55 paid. i £45 paid.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	7½%
Barclays Bank	7½%
B.C.C.I. Bank	7½%
Consolidated Crdts	6½%
First London Secs	7½%
C. Hoare & Co.	*7½%
Lloyds Bank	7½%
London Mercantile	7½%
Midland Bank	7½%
Nat Westminster	7½%
Rossminster Acc's	7½%
TSB	7½%
Williams and Glyn's	7½%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 4%, up to £25,000 4¼%, over £25,000 5%.

Foreign Exchange

Sterling, after holding relatively steady for much of the session yesterday, reacted to a strengthening in the dollar that reflected late New York buying. At the close the pound was 85 points down at $1.8245 (its lowest level of the day) compared with $1.8330, while its trade weighted index relinquished a small noon gain at 61.5 to end unchanged at 61.4.

Dealers reported fairly active business during the morning with the pound recovering from an easier start. Continental buying lifted sterling to $1.8335 at one stage, but profit-taking soon set in. Business later was confined mainly to end-month squaring of positions.

The dollar remained uncertain although able to finish the week at an advantage in terms of most major currencies.

Gold closed unchanged in London at $170.625 per ounce.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) April 28	Market rates (close) April 28
New York	$1.8240-8335	$1.8240-8250
Montreal	$2.0650-0755	$2.0655-0665
Amsterdam	4.03-05fl	4.03¾-04¾fl
Brussels	58.70-59.10f	58.75-85f
Copenhagen	10.29-35k	10.29¾-30¾k
Frankfurt	3.77-79m	3.78-79m
Lisbon	76.30-77.40e	77.00-40e
Madrid	147.30-148.00p	147.40-60p
Milan	1.561-66lr	1.561-62lr
Oslo	9.85-90k	9.85¾-86¾k
Paris	8.39-44f	8.41-42f
Stockholm	8.42-48k	8.43¾-44¾k
Tokyo	405-15y	406-10y
Vienna	27.15-30sch	27.15-25sch
Zurich	3.51¾-56f	3.53-54f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was 61.4, unchanged.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.50-.40c prem	1.22-1.12c prem
Montreal	.48-.38c prem	1.22-1.12c prem
Amsterdam	2¼-1¼c prem	6-5c prem
Brussels	25-15c prem	65-50c prem
Copenhagen	3¾-5¼ore disc	10¾-12¾ore disc
Frankfurt	2¾-1¾pf prem	7-6pf prem
Lisbon	60-220c disc	310-580c disc
Madrid	par-80c disc	40-140c disc
Milan	1-7lr disc	11-16lr disc
Oslo	3¾-5¾ore disc	9-11ore disc
Paris	1½-½c prem	2¾-1¾c prem
Stockholm	½ore prem-1½ore disc	par-2ore disc
Vienna	14-4gro prem	27-17gro prem
Zurich	3¾-2¾c prem	8¾-7¾c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.8828-31.

Eurodollar deposits (%) calls, 6¾-7¼; seven days, 7-7¼; one month, 7¼-7½; three months, 7¾-7⅞; six months, 7¾-8⅛.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $170 (an ounce); pm, $170.65. Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $175-177 (£95¾-96¾); resident, $175-177 (£95¾-96¾). Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $52¾-54¾ (£29-30); resident, $52¾-54¾ (£29-30).

Discount market

Credit was in short supply yesterday and the Bank of England assisted the market on a moderate scale. The help took the form of purchases of a moderate amount of Treasury bills and a small quantity of local authority bills directly from the houses. However, this was still thought to be insufficient and banks should be carrying run-down balances across the holiday weekend to Tuesday.

This was borne out by the finish which saw secured rates up at 7 per cent to 7½ per cent and overnight money in the interbank market at 10 per cent or higher. Earlier in the day, when interbank was around 7 per cent, houses were not paying much more than 6 per cent or 6½ per cent for fresh funds, again reflecting their reduced requirements since the end of their financial year.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 7½%
(Last changed 11/4/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 7½%
Discount Mkt. Loans %
Weekend High 7 Low 6¾
Week Fixed: 6¾-7

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	7	2 months	6¾
3 months	7⅛	3 months	6¹⁵⁄₁₆

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) Trades (Dis%)

2 months	7⅛-7⅞	3 months	8⅛
3 months	8-7⅞	4 months	8⅛
4 months	8⅛-8	6 months	8¼
6 months	8⅛-8⅜		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	8-7¾	7 months	8¾-7½
2 months	8⅛-7¾	8 months	8¾-7¾
3 months	8¼-7¾	9 months	9-8¾
4 months	8⅛-7¾	10 months	9-8¾
5 months	8⅛-7¾	11 months	9-8¾
6 months	8⅛-7¾	12 months	9⅛-8¾

Secondary Mkt. £CD Rates (%)

1 month	7⅛-7⅞	6 months	8⅝-8½
3 months	8⅛-8⅛	12 months	9-8¾

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	7⅛-7⅛	3 months	8
7 days	7½-7¾	6 months	8⅜
1 month	7½	1 year	8¾-9

Interbank Market (%)
Weekend: Open 7½ Close 10

1 week	7⅛-7	6 months	8⅜-8¾
1 month	7⅜-7¾	9 months	8⅝-9
3 months	8⅛-8⅛	12 months	9⅛-8⅝

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate%)
3 months 8⅛ 6 months 8⅝

Finance House Base Rate 7½%

Treasury Bill Tender

Applications	£398m	allotted	£300m
Bids at	£98.29½	received	89%
Last week	£98.29½	received	11%
Average rate	6.8968%	Last week	6.9676%
Next week	£300m	replace	£300m

Commodities

The LME closed after the morning session ahead of the May Day holiday. **COPPER:** Cash wire bars were £9.25 down and three months lost £9.75. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £684-84.50 per metric ton; three months, £701-01.50. Settlement, £684.50. Sales, 16,300 tons.

SILVER was steady.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 273.5p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 499.8); three months, 278.5p (506.4c); six months, 285.5p (516.5c); one year, 300.8p (537.8c). London Metal Exchange.—Morning.—Cash, 274.1-74.4p; three months, 279.2-79.3p. Settlement, 274.4p. Sales, 55 lots.

TIN was steady. Standard cash, £6,105-6,115; three months, £6,075-80. Settlement, £6,115. Sales, 555 tons. High grade, cash, £6,105-6,115; three months, £6,075-85. Settlement, £6,115. Sales, 5 tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M1,561 a picul. **LEAD** was steady. Morning.—Cash, £305-305.50; three months, £313-314. Settlement, £305.50. Sales 3,000 tons.

ZINC: Cash was £7 down and three months dropped £7.75. Morning.—Cash, £289-290; three months, £297-98. Settlement: £290. Sales: 3,750 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £117.40 ($214.50) a troy ounce.

RUBBER was steadier (pence per kilo).—June, 52.50-54.00; July, 53.60-54.05; July-Sept, 54.20-54.40; Oct-Dec, 55.45-55.50; Jan-March, 56.50-56.55; April-June, 57.60-57.65; July-Sept, 58.55-58.60; Oct-Dec, 59.65-59.70; Jan-March, 60.65-60.70. Sales 512 lots, at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were steady. Spot, 52-53.50. Cifs, June, 53.25-53.75; July, 53.75-55.35.

COFFEE: Robustas were irregular: arabicas were quiet.—**ROBUSTAS.** (£ per metric ton): May, 1,808-10; July, 1,390-92; Sept, 1,310-12; Nov, 1,210-19; Jan, 1,255-35; March, 1,210-19; May, 1,190-1,255. Sales: 2,684 lots, including 19 options. **ARABICAS** ($ per 50 kilos): April, expired 200; June, 182-82.15; Aug, 167.50-69.00; Oct, 154.54.76; Dec, 141-51; Feb, 135-37; April, 130-56. Sales, 17 lots.

PALM OIL was dull (£ per metric tonne).—May, June, July and Aug, 300-30; Sept, 290-330; Oct, 290-320; Nov, 280-315; Dec, 280-310. Jan unquoted.

COCOA was barely steady (£ per metric ton).—May, 2,043.50-45.00; July, 1,985.50-54.00; Sept, 1,869-72; Dec, 1,800-01.0; March, 1,756-60; May, 1,716-30; July, 1,675-95. Sales: 4,945 lots including 13 options. ICCO prices: daily, 151.13c; 15-day average, 155.94c; 22-day average, 157.74c (US cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was £1.50 lower at £101.50; the "whites" price was £1 lower at £109. Futures were quiet (£ per metric ton).—Aug, 108.40-08.45; Oct, 112.30-13.35; Dec, 116.15-16.50; March, 123-23.10; May, 126.55-26.60; Aug, 130.50-30.50; Oct, 134.10-34.25. Sales: 2,175 lots. ISA prices: 7.65c. 15-day average 7.60c.

WOOL: Greasy futures were steady (pence per kilo).—May, 227-38; July, 230-33; Oct, 235-39; Dec, 240-41; March, 245-48; May, 245-48; July, 246-48; Oct, 247-50. Sales: nil.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT.**—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: April-May, £93.50 Tilbury. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: May, £86; June and July, £84.50 trans-shipment east coast.

MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French: April, first half May, £106.75; second half May, £106; June, £105.50 trans-shipment east coast. South African yellow: May-June, £81 seller. London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—**BARLEY** was steady. May, £82.25; Sept, £80.60; Nov, £82.95; Jan, £85.55; March, £87.95. Sales, 72 lots. **WHEAT** was steady: May, £98.20; Sept, £86.05; Nov, £88.45; Jan, £91; March, £93.50. Sales, 126 lots.

Meat Commission: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on April 28.—GB: Cattle 67.45p per kg lw (−0.15). UK: Sheep, 139.1p per kg est dcw (+3.0). GB: Pigs, 65.5p per kg lw (+0.81). England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 34.2 per cent, average price, 67.47p (−0.09). Sheep numbers down 27.7 per cent, average price, 139.6p (+3.2). Pig numbers down 11.3 per cent, average price, 65.5p (+0.8). Scotland: Cattle numbers up 25.7 per cent: average price, 67.40p (−0.46). Sheep numbers down 62.7 per cent, average price, 133.8p (−1.0).

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Last Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
51	29	Airsprung Ord	49	+2	5.4	11.1	6.4
155	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	155	—	18.5	11.8	—
42	25	Armitage & Rhodes	42	+1	3.3	7.8	17.8
160	105	Bardon Hill	157	−1	12.0	7.6	10.8
113	51	Deborah Ord	113	—	5.1	4.5	9.1
228	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	228	—	17.5	7.6	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	136	+3	12.4	9.1	5.3
148	135	George Blair	146	+1	15.0	10.2	5.8
58	36	Jackson Group	48	+1	5.0	10.2	5.8
114	55	James Burrough	100	—	6.0	6.0	9.1
340	188	Robert Jenkins	312	+2	26.7	8.5	5.3
24	9	Twinlock Ord	16	—	—	—	—
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	80	+2	12.0	15.0	—
81	54	Unilock Holdings	75	—	7.0	9.3	9.3
102	67	Walter Alexander	102	—	6.4	6.2	7.5

First National Securities

Base rate

First National Securities Limited announces that with effect from 1st May 1978 its base rate for lending is increased to 9½%

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Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

US STRAIGHTS ($) — Australia 7¾ 1984 … Avco 9¼ 1983 — [illegible values]

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorized Unit Trusts

[illegible]

Insurance Bonds and Funds

[illegible]

Offshore and International Funds

[illegible]

• Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous day's price. A Ex all. c Dealings suspended. e Sub-divided. f Cash value for £100 premium. g Ex bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium.

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Stock Exchange Prices

Subdued session

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Begin, May 2. Dealings End, May 12. § Contango Day, May 15. Settlement Day, May 23

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

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BRITISH FUNDS

1977/78 High / Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
[illegible]	Treas 10½% 1978	100⁹⁄₃₂	..	10.426	6.556
[illegible]	Exch 5% 1976-78	99	..	5.051	7.465
[illegible]	Treas 11½% 1979	102⁵⁄₁₆	..	11.226	8.415
[illegible]	Treas 3% 1979	95¾	..	3.137	6.283
[illegible]	Elec 4¼% 1974-79	96¼	..	4.409	6.995
[illegible]	Treas 10½% 1979	101¹³⁄₁₆	..	10.313	9.147
[illegible]	Elec 3½% 1976-79	95¾	..	3.655	6.441
[illegible]	Treas Cnv 9% 1980	99¼	..	9.068	9.441
[illegible]	Treas 9½% 1980	100⅛	..	9.488	9.435
[illegible]	Treas 3½% 1977-80	93¼	..	3.751	6.983
[illegible]	Fund 5½% 1978-80	95	..	5.525	7.857
[illegible]	Exch 13% 1980	106⅛	..	12.250	10.212
[illegible]	Treas 11½% 1981	102⅞	..	11.199	10.322
[illegible]	Treas 3¼% 1979-81	89⅝	..	3.916	7.810
[illegible]	Treas [illegible] 1981	103⅝	..	9.855	10.174
[illegible]	Exch 8½% 1981	94⅝	..	8.630	10.183
[illegible]	Exch 9¾% 1981	97¾	..	9.731	10.382
[illegible]	Exch 3% 1981	86⅞	..	3.453	7.569
[illegible]	Exch 12¼% 1981	105⅜	..	12.014	10.447
[illegible]	Treas 8¼% 1980-82	94⅛	..	8.971	10.235
[illegible]	Treas 3% 1982	84⅜	..	3.560	7.696
[illegible]	Treas 14% 1982	110⅛	..	12.720	10.747
[illegible]	Treas 8¾% 1982	92⅝	..	9.919	10.820
[illegible]	Exch 9¼% 1982	95	..	9.737	10.690
[illegible]	Exch 8¾% 1982	91	..	9.409	10.691
[illegible]	Exch 3% 1983	81	..	3.703	7.417
[illegible]	Treas 12% 1983	101⅞	..	11.442	10.693
[illegible]	Treas 9½% 1983	96¾	..	9.844	10.798
[illegible]	Fund 5½% 1982-84	84⅝	..	6.647	9.482
[illegible]	Treas [illegible] 1984-86	91¼	..	9.525	10.492
[illegible]	Fund 6½% 1985-87	79¼	..	8.219	10.692
[illegible]	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	75¾	..	9.502	10.860
[illegible]	Treas 5% 1986-89	62	..	4.919	9.916
[illegible]	Treas [illegible] 1986-89	65¾	..	7.613	10.264
[illegible]	Treas 13% 1990	107⅞	..	12.342	12.395
[illegible]	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	76¾	..	10.396	11.438
[illegible]	Treas 11¾% 1991	95⅝	..	12.370	12.543
[illegible]	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	65	..	8.907	10.934
[illegible]	Treas 12¾% 1992	101⅛	..	12.674	12.620
[illegible]	Treas 10% 1992	89⅞	..	11.869	12.332
[illegible]	Exch 12¼% 1992	98⅜	..	12.586	12.673
[illegible]	Treas 12½% 1993	102⅝	..	12.672	12.705
[illegible]	Fund 6% 1993	62⅝	..	9.745	11.329
[illegible]	Treas 13¾% 1993	105⅝	..	12.956	12.827
[illegible]	Treas 14½% 1994	110⅝	..	13.079	12.952
[illegible]	Exch 13½% 1994	106⅛	..	12.714	12.925
[illegible]	Treas 9% 1994	78	..	11.488	12.045
[illegible]	Treas 12% 1995	95¾	..	12.628	12.719
[illegible]	Gas 3% 1990-95	44½	..	6.706	9.701
[illegible]	Exch 10¼% 1995	84¾	..	12.220	12.524
[illegible]	Treas 12¾% 1995	99¾	..	12.760	12.756
[illegible]	Treas 9% 1992-96	76⅝	..	11.705	12.198
[illegible]	Treas 15¼% 1996	115⅝	..	13.139	12.956
[illegible]	Exch 13¼% 1996	105¾	..	12.956	12.812
[illegible]	Redmptn 3% 1986-96	43¾	..	6.870	9.877
[illegible]	Treas 13¼% 1997	109⅝	..	12.984	12.939
[illegible]	Exch 10½% 1997	87⅛	..	12.341	12.582
[illegible]	Treas 8¾% 1997	76⅜	..	11.727	12.184
[illegible]	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	61⅞	..	11.050	11.885
[illegible]	Treas 15½% 1998	119⅝	..	13.143	12.963
[illegible]	Treas 9½% 1999	82⅞	..	11.940	12.229
[illegible]	Treas [illegible] 1999	84¼	..	12.335	12.586
[illegible]	Fund 3½% 1999-04	37⅞	..	9.601	10.856
[illegible]	Treas 8% 2002-06	68⅝	..	11.720	11.929
[illegible]	Treas 5½% 2008-12	45¾	..	11.444	11.694
[illegible]	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	67⅝	..	11.775	11.961
[illegible]	Consols 4%	33¾	..	12.354	..
[illegible]	War Ln 3½%	32⅝	..	10.638	..
[illegible]	Conv 3½%	35¾	..	10.032	..
[illegible]	Treas 3%	24⅛	..	12.426	..
[illegible]	Consols 2½%	21	..	12.013	..
[illegible]	Treas 2½% Aft 75	20⅜	..	12.492	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

1977/78 High / Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
[illegible]	Aust 5½% 77-80	94½	..	5.927	10.344
[illegible]	Aust 5½% 81-82	82¼	..	6.505	10.822
[illegible]	Aust 6% 81-83	80¾	..	7.719	11.464
[illegible]	Aust 7% 79-81	90½	..	7.822	10.958
[illegible]	Chilean Mixed	90	..	..	..
[illegible]	E Africa 5½% 77-83	79¼	..	7.963	13.453
[illegible]	German 4½% 1930	360	..	..	..
[illegible]	Hungary 4½% 1924	46	..	..	..
[illegible]	Ireland 7½% 81-83	85½	+¼	..	..
[illegible]	Jamaica 7½% 77-79	96½	..	7.856	10.214
[illegible]	Japan Ass 4% 1910	355	..	..	..
[illegible]	Japan 6% 83-88	77	..	..	..
[illegible]	Kenya 5% 78-82	77	..	6.577	12.235
[illegible]	Malaya 7½% 78-82	85	+¼	8.964	12.639
[illegible]	N Z 6% 76-80	94	+¼	6.447	10.230
[illegible]	N Z 7½% 88-92	70½	..	10.625	11.974
[illegible]	N Z 7½% 83-86	86¼	-¼	8.975	10.584
[illegible]	N Rhd 6% 78-81	90	-¼	6.788	11.089
[illegible]	Nyasa 6% 78-81	90	-¼	6.798	11.093
[illegible]	Peru 6% Ass	155	..	..	..
[illegible]	S Africa 9½% 79-81	94	-¼	..	..
[illegible]	S Rhd 2½% 65-70	56	..	..	..
[illegible]	S Rhd 4½% 87-92	56	..	..	..
[illegible]	S Rhd 6% 78-81	56	..	..	..
[illegible]	Spanish 4%	45	..	..	..
[illegible]	Tang 5½% 78-82	78½	-½	7.404	13.409
[illegible]	Uruguay 3½%	94	..	..	..

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

1977/78 High / Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
[illegible]	L C C 5% 1920	23½	..	13.213	..
[illegible]	L C C 5½% 80-83	79¼	..	6.289	10.414
[illegible]	L C C 5½% 82-84	76¾	..	6.297	10.881
[illegible]	L C C 6½% 85-87	[illegible]	..	7.260	11.605
[illegible]	L C C 5½% 85-87	[illegible]	..	5.155	11.299
[illegible]	L C C 6% 76-79	95½	..	6.279	9.678
[illegible]	L C C 6½% 88-90	66⅜	..	9.945	11.405
[illegible]	L C C 6¾% 90-92	63¾	..	10.587	12.652
[illegible]	L C C [illegible]	[illegible]	..	9.957	10.849
[illegible]	G L C 12½% 1982	102⅞	+¼	12.147	11.626
[illegible]	G L C 12½% 1983	102⅛	+¼	12.251	11.996
[illegible]	C of L 6½% 75-78	99½	..	6.530	9.265
[illegible]	C of L [illegible]	[illegible]	..	7.710	11.298
[illegible]	Ag Mt 7% 81-84	73½	..	9.495	11.963
[illegible]	Ag Mt 7½% 91-93	64½	..	11.792	12.960
[illegible]	Ag Mt 6½% 85-90	64½	..	10.386	12.462
[illegible]	Belfast 6½% 77-80	90	..	7.229	11.137
[illegible]	Brighton 6½% 76-79	97	..	6.695	9.687
[illegible]	Camden 6½% 77-79	97⅛	..	6.637	9.543
[illegible]	Croydon 7½% 78-81	97¾	..	7.736	11.174
[illegible]	Edin 6½% 77-79	96	..	6.623	9.112
[illegible]	Glasgow 9½% 80-82	94	..	9.846	10.984
[illegible]	Gwich 6½% 76-78	99¼	..	6.797	8.545
[illegible]	Liverpl 12½% 1981	106	..	12.719	11.229
[illegible]	Met Water B 3% 34-03	29¾	..	10.329	12.019
[illegible]	N I 7% 79-80	90	..	7.220	13.294
[illegible]	N I 7% 82-84	76½	..	9.116	12.579
[illegible]	N I Elec 6½% 81-83	80	..	8.113	12.037
[illegible]	Notts 6½% 76-79	96¾	..	6.773	8.349
[illegible]	Sthend 5½% 77-79	97	..	5.406	9.384
[illegible]	Swark 6½% 83-86	76	..	8.843	11.142
[illegible]	Surrey 6½% 75-80	92¼	+¼	6.496	10.599

Investment Dollar Premium 109¼% (109%). Premium Conversion Factor 0.6766.

FOREIGN STOCKS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
57	40½	Bayer	£52¾	..	197	3.7	23.4
29¼	21⅝	Commerzbank	£27⅞	..	45.0	2.6	18.9
32½	17½	Cp Fr Paris	£27⅞	..	156	5.6	9.0
62	43	EBES	£61	..	301	4.9	..
22½	14	Ericsson	£22	..	60.2	3.0	25.9
[illegible]	6	Finsider	7½	..	..	..	..
14	4½	Granges	£9½	..	..	..	..
560	395	Hoechst	507	..	19.7	3.9	17.5
[illegible]	8	Montecatini E	11	..	..	..	..
[illegible]	470	Robeco fl.5	596	-4	29.9	5.0	34.0
451	325	Rolinco Subs fl 5	442	-1	..	..	57.4
209	30	Snia Viscosa	48	..	..	..	..
10¾	7¾	Thyssen-Huette	£9¾	..	29.1	3.2	15.1
83	42	Volkswagen	£79	..	..	..	..

DOLLAR STOCKS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
12	8¼	Brascan	£11½	-⅟₁₆	53.4g	4.6	5.1
[illegible]	6⁹⁄₁₆	BP Canada	£10⁹⁄₁₆	-⅟₁₆	..	..	..
13¹¹⁄₁₆	9½	Can Pac Ord	£12¹³⁄₁₆	-⅟₁₆	47.0	3.7	8.2
16¾	9⅞	El Paso	£13⅞	+⅝	41.7	3.1	25.3
43½	27¾	Exxon Corp	£38	-⅛	..	..	..
[illegible]	20¾	Fluor	£28⅞	+¼	63.7	2.1	12.7
[illegible]	16⁹⁄₁₆	Hollinger	£22¾	..	..	..	..
33¾	24¼	Hud Bay Oil	£29¼	-⅛	28.9	1.0	28.8
24¾	14⅝	Husky Oil	£21¾	-½	..	..	..
[illegible]	9¼	INCO	£12⅝	-¼	51.7	4.1	19.4
11¾	6⅝	IU Int	£9⅝	-⅛	46.2	5.0	12.8
22½	16½	Kaiser Alum	£20¾	+¼	87.7	3.3	..
16⁹⁄₁₆	6¾	Massey-Ferg	£8⅝	-⅛	58.1	6.9	14.5
17⅞	11⅞	Norton Simon	£15¾	-⅛	43.7	2.8	12.7
28¾	20	Pacific Petrol	£26¾	-1½	..	..	..
26¾	17¾	Pan Canadian	£23¾	..	..	..	..
209	130	Steep Rock	167	..	..	..	..
[illegible]	8½	Trans Can P	£10⅞	-⅛	..	..	..
[illegible]	17¾	US Steel	£22¾	-⅛	..	..	..
725	725	White Pass	725	..	15.9	2.2	21.0
23½	7½	Zapata Corp	£12⅞	+¼	15.7	1.2	38.7

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
265	155	Alexs Discount	243	..	21.7	8.9	5.5
595	350	Allen H & Ross	435	..	46.5	10.7	6.1
173	99½	Allied Irish	165	-6	10.0b	6.1	5.8
195	105	Arb-Latham	160	..	14.3	9.0	10.9
262½	135½	ANZ Grp	257	+5	14.4	5.6	5.3
22¼	13¼	Bank America	£20¼	+¼	49.0	2.4	13.9
392	202½	Bk of Ireland	380	..	20.1b	5.6	6.8
27	14	Bk Leumi Israel	19	..	0.5	2.8	10.2
200	160	Bk Leumi UK	160	..	11.2	7.0	14.3
500	370	Bk of NSW	495	..	18.6	3.8	10.7
315	223	Bk of Scotland	290	+5	16.5	5.7	7.4
34½	21⅞	Bnks Trst NY	£30⅞	..	161	5.2	11.4
352	227	Barclays Bank	340	..	16.7	4.9	5.8
255	115	Brown Shipley	215	..	14.0	6.5	8.0
350	225	Cater Ryder	285	+5	26.6	9.3	..
29¼	17½	Chase Man	£24⅞	-¾	114	4.6	11.9
19¼	13½	Citicorp	£19	-¼	61.6	3.2	11.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Clive Discount	75	+2	7.2	9.6	5.3
236	170	Com Bk of Aust	224	-3	9.4	4.2	10.4
170	115	Com Bk of Syd	153	..	7.6	5.0	..
23½	12½	CC De France	£22	-¼	131	5.9	15.8
3½	¾	First Nat Fin	2¾	..	..	..	..
12½	7	Fraser Ans	12	+¼	..	..	..
210	120	Gerrard & Nat	175	-2	12.4	7.1	4.8
[illegible]	37	Gibbs A.	41	..	3.3	8.1	17.8
277	161½	Gillett Bros	195	..	23.0	11.8	4.5
110	55	Grindlays Hldgs	101	+1	4.2	4.1	3.4
230	150	Guinness Peat	210	+2	16.2	7.7	10.4
[illegible]	72	Hambros	£19	..	144	9.0	..
[illegible]	142	Do Ord	185	+2	14.4	7.8	5.3
[illegible]	74	Hill Samuel	85	+3	6.7	7.9	7.4
309½	202½	Hong K & Shang	263	+7	7.7b	2.9	27.5
[illegible]	54½	Jessel Toynbee	73	+1	6.2	8.5	..
[illegible]	115	Joseph L.	160	..	12.0	7.5	7.9
[illegible]	21	Keyser Ullmann	44	+3	0.5	1.1	..
[illegible]	42	King & Shaxson	63	..	5.1	8.2	6.1
134	76	Kleinwort Ben	102	+2	6.2	6.1	7.4
299	195	Lloyds Bank	270	+5	13.8	5.1	5.4
177	92	Mercury Secs	116	..	5.1	4.4	5.7
390	256½	Midland	356	+3	22.4n	6.2	5.3
63	39	Minster Assets	61	..	5.3b	8.9	3.9
210	162	Nat of Aust	221	-1	8.7	3.9	9.2
91	59	Nat Com Bk Grp	74	+1	4.0	8.4	5.5
325	205	Nat W'minster	282	+2	17.4	6.2	5.8
49½	30	Ottoman	£42	..	230	5.5	9.3
65	45	Rea Bros	58	..	2.5	4.3	11.6
25¾	14½	Royal of Can	£20¾	-⅛	71.9	3.5	20.9
450	250	Schroders	410	..	17.3	4.2	9.1
290	165½	Seccombe Mar	220	..	19.7	8.5	8.5
150	57	Smith St Aubyn	90	+2	7.6	9.5	..
422	233	Standard Chart	407	+4	27.6	6.8	5.8
[illegible]	222½	Union Discount	365	..	24.0	7.3	5.0
77	27	Wintrust	62	..	4.6	7.4	24.7

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
[illegible]	58	Allied	86½	+1½	6.0n	6.9	11.9
[illegible]	97	Bass Charrgtn	159	-1	7.3	4.6	10.7
[illegible]	28	Belhaven Grp	40	..	..	..	..
[illegible]	74½	Bell A.	241	-4	7.4	3.0	9.3
[illegible]	82	Boddingtons	152	+1	5.9	3.9	15.3
[illegible]	64	Brown M.	109	..	5.9	5.5	12.6
[illegible]	65	Bulmer HP Hldgs	136	-1	4.9	3.2	9.1
[illegible]	75	Burtonwood	143	..	4.5	3.3	10.0
[illegible]	40	C of Ldn Dfd	58	-1	3.6	6.3	22.9
[illegible]	132	Devenish	180	+3	4.9	5.6	8.4
[illegible]	119	Distillers	180	..	3.9	5.5	21.4
[illegible]	57½	Greenall	110	..	4.0	3.6	11.1
[illegible]	252	Greene King	232	..	10.9	4.7	13.0
[illegible]	134	Guinness	182	+2	10.6	5.8	8.9
[illegible]	95	Hardys & H'sons	160	..	10.6	6.6	10.7
[illegible]	73	Highland	123	..	4.4	3.1	19.8
[illegible]	55	Invergordon	76	..	3.2	3.3	11.5
[illegible]	42	Irish Distillers	135	+3	5.4	4.2	8.7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Marston	60	..	2.7	4.5	9.2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Scot & Newcastle	64½	+½	4.9	7.6	14.1
[illegible]	15¼	Seagram	£15⅛	-⅛	45.7	2.3	12.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	SA Breweries	77½	..	6.3	8.6	5.1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Tomatin	163	..	4.5	4.4	12.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Vaux	204	..	6.1	5.0	10.8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Whitbread 'A'	92	..	5.6	6.1	20.4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do B	92	-1	5.6	6.6	20.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Whitbread Inv	92	..	5.7	7.0	22.6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Wolverhampton	201	..	5.7	4.5	11.3

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

A—B

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
122	77	AAH	96	..	9.2	9.6	7.1
42	25	AC Cars	28	..	1.4	3.8	8.0
99	39½	AGB Research	92	..	5.2n	5.6	9.6
229½	134	APV Hldgs	197	..	8.7	4.4	7.3
73	43	Aaronson Bros	63	..	3.0	4.7	5.9
116	62	Acrow	110	..	3.6	3.3	12.5
95	52	Do A	79	..	3.6	4.6	9.0
41	11	Adda Int	34½	-½	0.8	2.2	..
282	159	Adwest Group	243	-4	15.2	6.2	8.7
63	34	Aeronc't & Gen	61	..	3.5	5.7	10.9
62	42	Airfix Ind	50	+3	4.6	9.2	6.6
131	79	Albright & W	117	+2	7.0	6.0	7.6
96	69	Alcan 10½%	£92½	..	1050	12.3	..
152	71	Do 9% Cnv	£147½	-1	900	6.1	..
300	205	Alginate Ind	275	+2	21.2	7.7	7.9
77	44	Allen E Balfour	57	..	6.6	11.5	..
56¾	25½	Allen W. G.	42	..	4.3	10.2	4.7
109¾	44¾	Allied Colloids	70	..	2.4	3.4	12.3
70	43	Allied Insulators	70	..	6.3	8.9	5.4
17	7½	Allied Plant	15	-½	1.1	7.1	9.0
55½	23	Alpine Hldgs	55½	+1	2.5	4.5	33.2
298	220	Amal Metal	270	..	24.0	8.3	8.5
139	57¾	Amal Power	132	-3	8.0	6.1	7.4
41	21	Amber Day	35	..	3.0	8.7	5.0
27	9	Amber Ind Hldgs	27	-1	0.9n	2.8	4.3
94	41	Anchor Chem	72	+1	6.3	8.7	5.3
57½	34	Anderson Strath	50½	+1½	3.8	7.6	6.9
90	45½	Anglia TV 'A'	79	+1	6.2	8.0	5.5
540	330	Anglo Amer Ind	520	..	42.2	8.1	5.6
42	22	Ang Swiss Hldgs	34	..	..e	..	..
56	43	Appleyard	87	..	9.5n	10.9	7.0
39½	19½	Aquascutum 'A'	35	..	2.3	6.4	7.5
122	66¼	Arlington Mtr	115	..	11.7	10.2	8.7
73	29	Armitage Shanks	62½	+1	6.5	10.3	9.1
72	37	Armst Equip	64	..	3.2	5.0	11.0
53	44	Asprey 6½% Pf	50	..	6.0	12.0	..
94	55¼	Ass Biscuit	82	..	4.8	5.8	5.5
156	85	Ass Book	170	..	6.1	3.6	5.6
76½	45	Ass Brit Food	62	..	3.3	5.3	6.3
142	92	Ass Engineer	119	+1	7.1	6.0	6.2
71	36	Ass Fisheries	49	..	4.6	9.3	4.7
62	26½	Ass Leisure	54	..	4.3	7.9	10.1
156	121	Ass News	149	-1	9.1	5.5	8.5
57	20	Ass Paper	51	-½	4.6	9.0	5.4
294	153	Ass Port Cement	238	+2	14.2	5.9	9.1
119	68½	Ass Tel 'A'	114	-1	9.9n	8.7	8.5
32	23	Ass Tooling	32	+1	3.5n	11.2	11.5
46	23	Astbury & Mdley	46	..	1.8	3.8	5.1
59	29	Atkins Bros	53	..	5.6	10.5	8.2
43	27	Audiotronic	33	..	..e	..	8.2
37	22	Ault & Wiborg	33½	..	3.0	8.8	8.8
99	56	Aurora Hldgs	93	+3	8.0	8.6	4.2
70	30	Austin E.	70	..	5.5	7.8	5.0
126½	52	Automotive Pd	126½	+1½	3.1	2.5	7.9
34½	14½	Avana Grp	31½	..	1.6	4.9	7.9
174	113	Averys	146	..	8.3	5.7	8.8
205	74	Avon Rubber	192	+6	14.1	7.3	2.8
312	235	B.A.T. Ind	312	..	21.1	6.8	8.7
270	200	Do Dfd	265	-3	..	..	..
66	39	BBA Grp	52	..	3.6	6.9	5.3
114	71	BET Dfd	104	+1	8.2	7.9	7.8
136	97	BICC	119	..	10.7	9.0	9.0
82	62	BOC Int	79½	..	4.9	6.7	5.1
278	111	BPB Ind	219	-3	11.0	5.0	6.7
55	26	BPM Hldgs 'A'	54	..	4.3n	8.0	6.7
45½	17½	BSG Int	40½	+¾	3.2	8.0	4.0
151	86	BSR Ltd	105	..	7.2	6.9	7.1
292	142½	BTR Ltd	266	..	14.0	5.3	9.1
144	70	Babcock & W	124	..	8.0	6.4	6.1
36	21	Baggeridge Brk	32	..	3.5	11.1	9.8
9¾	3	Bailey C.H. Ord	6¼	..	0.3	5.1	48.1
172	93	Baird W.	172	..	14.1	8.2	4.7
112	65	Baker Perkins	94	+1	6.3	6.7	5.6
53	25½	Bambergers	47	..	4.5	9.6	5.3
15	3½	Barker & Dbson	13	+¼	..e	..	..
225	144	Barlow Rand	215	..	16.5	7.7	4.4
77	39	Barr & Wallace	77	..	5.1	6.6	7.5
76	37	Do A	76	..	5.1	6.7	7.4
129	56¼	Barratt Devs	113	+2	12.2	10.8	5.3
54	31	Barrow Hepbn	31	-1	5.6	18.0	5.3
61	40	Barton & Sons	62	..	5.0	8.1	5.2
155	69	Bassett G.	144	..	7.9	5.4	8.9
99	29	Bath & P'land	66	+2	5.0	7.6	3.8
67	34	Beales J.	55	..	4.0	7.2	4.1
193	66	Beatson Clark	197	+7	7.8	4.2	5.0
51	25½	Beaufort Grp	48	..	5.1	10.5	6.8
73½	45	Beckman A.	65½	..	7.4	11.3	7.3
640	372	Beecham Grp	640	+3	28.0	4.4	13.4
53	29½	Bejam Grp	62	+1	2.3	3.8	7.6
85	54	Benrose Corp	63	..	5.9	9.2	8.1
70	22	Benn Bros	59	..	3.4	5.7	9.5
125	74¼	Berisf'd S & W	124	..	6.3	5.0	4.4
62	31	Berisfords	55	..	3.7	6.3	4.9
54	26	Best & May	51	..	4.3	9.4	9.9
166	122	Bestobell	162	..	14.3	8.8	6.9
69	28	Bett Bros	63	..	2.6	4.1	6.9
249	102	Bibby J.	242	-2	9.9	4.1	4.6
77	50	Birm'gham Mint	66	..	6.6	10.0	7.1
230	148	Bishops Stores	135	..	3.7	2.0	10.4
200	97	Do A NV	145	..	3.7	2.6	8.2
223	63	Black & Edg'tn	114	..	6.6	5.8	13.9
91	49	Blackwd Hodge	80	..	4.4	4.9	5.6
30	15	Blackwood Mt	24	..	..e	..	13.8
245	122	Blagden & N	224	..	19.2	7.8	10.0
72	39	Blundell Perm	62½	+½	4.4	6.9	6.2
13	7½	Boardman K. O.	12¾	..	1.5	12.0	3.2
73	37	Bodycote	65	..	3.4	5.2	6.3
36	17	Bonser Eng	26	..	2.2	8.4	7.5
240	129	Booker McCon	232	-1	10.7	4.6	6.8
212	84	B'sey & Hawkes	196	..	7.7	3.9	8.0
157	85	Boot H.	129	-2	13.9	10.8	7.2
242	115	Boots	207	-1	4.3	2.1	15.8
97	64	Borthwick T.	69	-2	9.4	13.6	9.5
25½	14	Boulton W.	20	..	2.1	10.7	6.5
216	160	Bowater Corp	200	..	14.7	7.4	9.1
66	34	Bowthorpe Hldgs	53	..	2.8n	4.8	6.3
99	62	Braby Leslie	83	+2	8.0	9.0	5.0
76	60	Brady Ind	68	..	8.6	12.6	12.9
75	56	Do A	56	-5	8.6	15.3	10.6
49	23½	Braham Millar	35	..	2.3	6.5	4.8
45	17	Braid Grp	41	..	2.1	5.1	6.1
179	67½	Braithwaite	135	..	6.1	4.5	3.8
126	48½	Brammer H.	120	..	6.4	5.3	7.2
53	36	Bremner	50	..	5.8	11.6	10.1
213	90	Brent Chem Int	213	+2	4.7	2.2	13.2
53	25	Brent Walker	53	+2	1.7n	3.2	14.1
37	22	Brickhouse Dud	36	..	3.3	9.2	5.1
172	90	Bridon	99	-2	9.3	9.4	9.5
41½	27½	Bright J. Grp	33	+1	3.7	11.1	5.9
45½	29	Brit Car Auctn	45½	..	3.0	6.6	11.3
246	137	Brit Home Strs	183	-3	8.9	4.9	15.4
28	20	Brit Leyland	27	r ..	..b	..	..
120½	80	Brit Northrop	92	..	..	..	3.3
51	31	Brit Printing	51	+1	4.8	9.5	4.6
90	50	Brit Stm Spec	79	..	7.2	9.1	9.2
122½	69½	Brit Sugar	112	+2	7.2	6.4	2.6
70¼	30½	Brit Syphon Ind	58½	..	4.6	7.8	7.9
61	29½	Brit Tar Prod	56½	..	2.1	3.6	9.9
80	36½	Brit Vita	80	+1	2.7	3.4	3.5
30	13½	Brittains	25	..	2.3	9.1	6.5
64	44	Brockhouse Ltd	56	..	5.6	9.8	5.4
86	41	Brocks Grp	71	+1	5.2	7.3	13.2
715	385	Broken Hill	615	+10	19.5	3.2	61.5
40	28	Bronx Eng	28	..	2.4	8.5	4.8
71	35	Brook St Bur	71	+1	6.4	9.0	18.4
56	38	Brooke Bond	46½	+½	4.3	9.2	3.8
29	11	Brooke Tool	29	+3	1.5	5.2	5.3
158	49	Brotherhood P.	149	+½	9.6n	6.5	13.7
100	74	Brown & Tawse	93	..	6.8	7.3	6.0
55	19	BBK	50	..	3.3	6.7	11.9
27	12	Brown Bros Cp	23	..	1.6	7.0	13.3
316	98	Brown J.	316	..	13.3n	4.2	5.2
124	85	Bruntons	103	+1	10.6	10.3	9.2
58	17	Bryant Hldgs	55	..	3.6	6.5	11.6
125	61½	Bullough Ltd	120	..	9.3	7.8	5.0
48	28	Bulmer & Lumb	43	+1	4.8	11.0	5.4
120	87	Bunzl Pulp	101	..	7.4	7.3	4.0
67	35	Burco Dean	63	..	5.6	8.9	6.3
40	22	Burgess Prod	36	..	3.5	9.8	5.6
184	64	Burnett H'shire	158	..	4.1	2.6	7.5
184	63	Do A NV	157	..	4.1	2.6	7.5
39½	18	Burns And'son	34½	..	2.3	6.6	5.0
17¾	9	Burrell & Co	12	-1½	1.4	11.7	6.2
198	130	Burt Boulton	185	..	15.2	8.2	5.3
142	51	Burton Grp	121	+1	2.3	1.9	..
130	39	Do A	113	..	2.3	2.0	..
69	30	Butterfld-Harvy	65	+2	3.4n	5.2	8.9

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
34	14¾	CH Industrials	32	..	3.0	9.5	5.6
59¾	35½	Cadbury Sch	54	+½	4.6	8.5	7.1
117	70	Caffyns	117	..	8.7	7.4	9.5
55	48	C'bread Robey	52	..	2.3	4.4	14.5
133	30	Campari	131	..	3.0	2.3	6.8
121	64	Do B	119	+1	..	..	..
82	45½	Cantrex Hldgs	64	..	5.0	7.8	5.6
67	36	Canning W.	62	..	5.3	8.6	8.6
136	97	Cape Ind	113	..	12.4	11.0	3.0
82	37	Caplan Profile	82	..	7.3	8.9	5.3
90	33½	Capper Neill	58	+½	3.2	5.5	6.7
95	33	Caravans Int	79	+1	7.0	8.9	3.6
68	35	Carelo Eng	64	..	4.5	7.1	5.9
51	29	Carless Capel	30	..	1.3	4.4	7.7
181	59	Carlton Ind	181	+1	8.3	4.6	8.4
76	39	Carpets Int	44½	..	..	..	13.9
48	16½	Carr J. (Don)	45	+1	1.4	3.1	7.0
41	22½	Carr'ton Viy	40½	+1	3.2	7.9	5.1
110	63¾	Carroll P. J.	95	..	9.2	9.7	7.3
45	26	Casket S Hldgs	43	..	3.0	6.9	5.1
25	7	Causton Sir J.	17	..	..	..	4.2
165	88	Cawoods	136	-1	5.3	3.9	10.0
36½	12	Celestion	31	..	0.9	2.9	6.9
133	54½	Cement Rdstone	130	+2	7.5	5.8	7.5
54	25	Cen & Sheer	31½	..	3.4	6.6	9.2
72	42	Central Man	69	+1	4.0	5.9	3.7
230	68¾	Centreway Ltd	230	-3	17.5	7.6	6.5
42	34	Ch'mbn & Hill	35	..	3.9	11.0	2.7
58½	27½	Chamberl'n Grp	47	-1	4.2	8.9	5.1
23	9½	Change Wares	24	..	0.6b	2.5	19.2
23½	17	Do Cnv Cum	23	..	2.4	10.5	..
129	31	Chloride Grp	104	+2	7.3	7.0	8.5
96	57	Christies Int	94	..	5.0	5.3	8.2
51	27	Christy Bros	41	..	3.5	8.5	5.6
138	93	Chubb & Sons	133	-1	5.5	4.1	9.8
180	57	Church & Co	155	-1	5.1	3.3	6.2
73	43	Coalite & Chem	71	..	4.2	5.9	5.9
79	50	Coates Bros	61	..	3.5	5.8	6.8
77	45	Do A	60	..	3.5	5.9	6.7
83	57	Coats Patons	79	..	4.7	6.0	6.9
139	45	Cole R. H.	106	-3	5.6	5.3	5.4
62	32	Collett D'son	56	-1	5.0	8.8	4.1
147	95	Collins W.	137	..	7.0	5.1	8.5
136	99	Do A	137	..	7.0	5.1	8.5
39	24	Comben Grp	32	+2	2.4b	7.6	7.0
107	50	Comb Eng Strs	88	..	4.9	5.6	10.0
116	30	Comet Radiov'n	116	..	3.9	3.4	10.5
114	64	CompAir	99	+2	5.5	5.6	7.8
33	20	Compton Webb	32	+2	2.8	8.8	6.1
29	16	Cook W.	26	..	2.6	10.0	5.7
65	37	Cope Allman	61	+1	5.2	8.6	6.2
15	9	Copson F.	15	..	1.1	7.5	7.6
29	19½	Corah	35	-2	2.8	8.0	4.8
144	54¾	Coral Leisure	114	+1	9.1n	8.0	4.5
60	33	Cornercroft	58	-1	4.8	8.3	12.2
94	34	Cosalt	84	..	5.1	6.1	4.5
332	134	Costain R.	286	+4	15.2b	5.7	9.3
41	8	Countryside	40	..	1.8	4.5	13.9
107	73	Courts (Furn)	88	..	5.0	5.7	6.0
107	73	Do A NV	88	..	5.0	5.7	6.0
135	90	Courtaulds	119	+2	10.7	8.9	5.9
72	30	Courtney Pope	62	..	3.6	5.8	8.9
78	30¾	C'wan de Groot	59	..	3.5	5.9	3.6
44½	23	Cowie T.	40	..	2.6	6.5	3.6
44	15	Crellon Hldgs	23	f ..	..e	..	..
76	28	Crest Nicholson	72	-1	5.0	7.0	8.5
72	43	Croda Int	46	..	3.3	7.2	5.5
43	25	Cronite Grp	36	+½	3.7	10.3	12.1
40	23	Cropper J.	40	..	1.3	3.2	..
140	84	Crosby Hse	130	+2	..e	..	..
70	45	Crossley Bldg	63	..	6.3	9.1	11.0
96	48	Crouch D.	65	..	6.0	7.0	7.3
73	35	Crouch Grp	69	..	4.2	6.0	12.1
53	32½	Crown House	52	..	4.7	9.1	10.1
45	23	Crowther J.	32	+1	0.9	2.8	..
147	83	Cum'ns En Cv	£100	-4	375	3.8	..
160	63½	Dale Electric	136	..	4.1	3.0	13.6
27¼	14	Dana Corp	£20	..	67.2	3.4	..
19	8	Dartmouth Inv	16½	..	1.2	6.6	11.8
154	70½	Davies & New	132	..	11.1	8.4	7.6
97	29	Davis G.	80	+½	5.0	6.2	6.5
298	150	Davy Int	237	..	15.5	6.5	7.9
127	48	Dawson J.	126	h ..	7.5	5.9	16.4
530	350	De Beers Ind	528	+10	44.6	8.6	9.8
28	21	Deanson Hldgs	28	..	3.2	11.3	8.4
118	64¼	Debenhams	102	..	8.0	7.9	7.0
319	128¾	De La Rue	282	-3	15.0	5.3	8.4
380	233	Decca	420	..	16.6	4.0	12.0
355	223	Do A	410	..	16.6	4.0	11.7
81	49	Delta Metal	73	+1	7.6	10.4	8.9
100	66	Denbyware	70	..	8.2	11.7	..
178	82	De Vere Hotels	159	..	7.1	4.4	23.0
67	27	Dewhirst I. J.	68	..	2.7	4.0	5.2
143	89	DRG	122	..	10.6	8.7	9.6
178	57	Diploma Inv	142	..	5.8	4.0	8.6
70	23	Dixon D	70	..	3.8	5.4	31.1
178	63	Dixons Photo	145	-1	3.4	2.4	7.1
64	20	Dixor	60	..	0.9	1.5	50.0
84	37	Dobson Park	81	-1	3.2	4.0	6.4
67	41	Dom Hldgs	67	..	6.6	9.9	12.0
105	43¾	Douglas R. M.	86	+1	4.8	5.6	6.0
24½	17	Dow'd & Mills	24½	+½	1.7	6.9	11.3
250	105	Downing G. H.	209	..	16.5	7.9	4.5
151	93	Dowty Grp	175	-1	6.7	3.8	11.2
37	12½	Drake & Scull	24½	+½	..	..	3.8
50	28	Dreamland Elec	48	..	3.9	8.0	4.5
47	33	Dufay	39	+2	2.6	6.8	12.1
122	73¼	Dunlop Hldgs	84	-1	8.0	9.6	5.5
14½	5½	Duple Int	13	..	0.9	6.9	6.4
87½	57½	Duport	67	..	6.4	9.6	4.7
134	41	Duraplpe Int	103	..	5.7	5.5	6.4
53	26	Dutton For	48½	..	4.3	8.6	8.4
37	21	Dykes J. Hldgs	24½	+½	..e	..	8.8
253	142	E.M.I.	145	-11	14.0	9.7	5.4
126	22¾	ERF Hldgs	108	+2	3.7	3.4	5.0
52	35	E Lancs Paper	50	..	5.0	10.0	5.3
93	22	Eastern Prod	90	..	6.6	7.3	7.0
106	56	Eastwood J. B.	90	-1	5.8	6.5	2.5
154	105	Edbro	150	+4	8.9	5.9	6.2
45	19	Elbco Hldgs	42	+1	2.9	6.9	11.5
48	32	Elec & Ind Secs	45½	..	4.5	10.0	7.3
380	89	Electrocomps	380	..	7.6	2.0	17.5
24½	15	Electronic Mach	20	..	..	..	..
124	48	Electr'nic Rent	113	-1	7.6	6.7	8.1
119	85½	Elliott B.	94	..	7.9	8.4	5.3
44	14	Elliott Grp	22	..	..e	..	6.9
97	66	Ellis & Everard	81	..	7.6	9.4	14.9
23½	14¼	Ellis & Gold	23½	..	2.9	12.3	10.2
79	37	Elson & Robbins	73	..	4.7	6.5	3.7
23	9	Elswick Hopper	19½	..	1.4	7.0	8.2
202	83½	Empire Stores	163	-3	7.3	4.5	12.6
14¾	4¾	Energy Serv	10¾	..	0.3b	2.8	13.6
36	22	England J. E.	31	..	2.2	6.9	7.0
34	25	English & O'seas	26	..	0.9	3.4	14.5
108	50	English Card Cl	83	+1	4.2	5.0	4.6
109	69¾	Eng China Clay	83	+1	5.4	6.5	9.2
80	51	Erith & Co	74	..	8.3	11.1	9.1
220	123	Esperanza	150	-1	8.0	5.3	5.5
78	42	Eucalyptus Pulp	63	+2	7.6b	12.0	2.1
119	54	Euro Ferries	119	+1	4.2	3.6	9.5
107	52	Eva Industries	89	..	7.3	8.2	8.3
211	121	Ever Ready	143	-1	6.1	4.2	7.4
47½	21	Evode Hldgs	38	+1	1.7	4.6	6.2
27½	14½	Ewer G.	26½	..	2.0n	7.8	10.2
19½	7¼	Excalibur	14¼	..	0.8	5.2	5.8
105	63	Exch Telegraph	96	+2	7.7n	8.0	8.3
77¾	55	Expand Metal	65	+1	5.6	8.6	7.5

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
115	52	FMC	68	..	3.9	5.7	3.4
20	7	FPA Cons	21	..	1.7	8.1	9.3
82	29¼	Fairbairn L'sn	62	+2	7.6	12.2	5.3
72	37½	Fairclough Cons	68	..	3.8	5.5	8.0
116	29	Fairview Est	116	+1	8.9	7.7	7.0
135	109	Farmer S.W.	120	..	7.7	6.4	6.4
240	81	Farnell Elect	238	-2	10.0	4.2	9.9
47	13	Fed Lnd & Build	45	-1	3.5	7.7	12.0
36	22	Feedex Ltd	32	..	2.0	6.2	8.1
150	111	Fenner J. H.	132	+2	10.2	7.7	9.0
106	45	Ferguson Ind	93	..	9.1	9.8	9.7
48	19½	Fine Art Dev	45	-½	2.5	5.8	11.5
319	150	Finlay J.	311	-1	9.9	3.2	5.7
21	8	Finlay Pack	19	..	0.9	4.7	7.0
400	293	Fisons	353	+13	19.3	5.5	7.1
73	45	Fitch Lovell	64	..	6.1	9.6	8.1
83	43¼	Fluidrive Eng	67	..	5.0	7.5	7.1
68	20	Fodens	57	+½	3.8	6.7	3.8
162	48	Fogarty E.	163	..	5.2	3.2	4.5
23½	19½	Folkes Hefo NV	23	..	2.1	9.1	5.3
29	20	Ford M.	32	..	9.7	29.5	8.4
259	130	Ford Mtr BDR	200	..	8.3	4.1	21.1
146	49¾	Formminster	146	-4	6.0	4.1	6.9
212	121	Foseco Min	154	-2	6.9	4.5	9.8
[illegible]	39	Foster Bros	96	-4	4.3	4.4	12.6
34	18	Foster J.	34	..	2.5	7.4	12.0
94	68	Fothergill & H	88	..	9.4	10.7	7.3
48	23	Francis G. R.	42	..	5.4	12.8	7.6
70	28	Francis Ind	67	+1	5.1	7.6	3.9
319	127	Freemans Ldn	314	-2	9.0	2.9	11.5
70	40	French T.	62	..	3.9	6.2	4.9
39½	14	French Kier	28½	+½	2.3b	8.0	11.7
96	53	Friedland Doggt	88	..	4.7	5.4	6.3
83	48	GEI Int	72	..	5.9	8.1	5.7
67	32½	Galliford Brindley	56	..	5.1	9.1	6.0
18	7½	Garford Lilley	16	..	1.1	6.8	6.3
104	67	Garnar Scotblair	96	..	6.8	7.1	4.6
252	163	GEC	245	..	5.8	2.4	10.0
104½	96½	Do F Rate	£100½	..	869	..	..
27	13¾	Gen Eng (Rad)	20	+1	1.5	7.7	5.3
330	185	Gen Mtr BDR	260	-5	11.0g	4.2	25.3
192	124	Gestetner 'A'	192	..	6.0	3.1	6.6
74	32½	Gibbons Dudley	73½	+2	3.8	5.2	3.6
105	36	Gieves Grp	96	..	6.8	6.9	9.3
240	161½	Gill & Duffus	239	-1	13.2	5.5	7.3
58	23	Glitspur Ltd	57	+2	4.1	7.2	5.8
71	36	Glass & Metal	71	..	4.2	6.0	5.1
26	13	Glass Glover	24	..	1.9	7.8	6.6
667	400	Glaxo Hldgs	540	+5	16.2	3.0	10.8
54	19	Gleeson M. J.	46	+2	2.8	6.1	7.1
58	34	Glossop & W.J.	56	+1	5.5	9.4	6.3
120	76	Glynwed	112	+1	12.4	11.1	11.2
70	39	Goldbg & Sons	65	..	5.7	8.6	12.9
87	41	Gomme Hldgs	75	..	4.6	6.1	9.9
95	60	Gordon & Gotch	85	+2	4.0	4.7	8.1
23	11	Gordon L. Grp	20	..	..	..	..
61	47	Grampian Hldgs	53	-1	6.1	11.4	4.0
99	43¾	Granada 'A'	93	..	3.0	3.2	10.2
109	63½	Grand Met Ltd	107	..	6.4	6.0	8.5
348	183	Gt Univ Stores	298	+2	11.8	3.9	13.8
346	175	Do A	288	+2	11.8	4.1	13.4
47	17¾	Greenfield Mill	43	..	1.9	4.4	5.2
93	65	Greens Econ	66	-1	6.4	9.7	7.2
55	28	Gripperrods	42	..	3.6	8.6	4.7
368	257	GKN	275	+3	23.6	8.6	11.3
109	71	Haden Carrier	99	+½	12.0	12.1	6.2
110	55	Haggas J.	97	+1	1.0n	1.1	7.1
98	62½	Hall Eng	94	+2	6.7	7.1	5.2
207	99½	Hall M.	203	-½	10.0n	4.9	8.1
64	14	Halma Ltd	60½	-½	2.1	3.5	10.0
104	68	Hanimex Corp	90	+2	43.0	47.8	5.0
161	100	Hanson Trust	146	+1	9.5	6.5	7.2
51	26	Hardy Furn	35	..	..e	..	..
43	23	Do A	31	..	..e	..	..
61	38	Hargreaves Grp	57	..	4.6	8.0	9.3
53	34½	Harris Sheldon	45	..	4.5	10.0	7.2
118	45	Harrison T.C.	118	+5	5.8	4.9	11.2
525	276½	Harrison Cros	525	+58	19.3b	3.7	12.7
95	41	Hartwells Grp	92	-2	6.7	7.2	7.9
214	113	Hawker Sidd	200	-2	6.2	3.1	7.8
76	43	Hawkins & T'son	67	-2	6.1	9.0	4.4
78	24	Hawthorn L.	73	+2	..	..	..
189	57	Hays Wharf	143	+4	7.5	5.2	14.8
35½	12½	Headlam Sims	34	..	1.9	5.6	7.0
18½	8½	Helene of Ldn	17¼	-½	1.0	5.9	4.1
35	20	Helical Bar	38	..	..e	..	22.6
87	39	Hend'son Kent	75	+2	3.3	4.4	4.4
144	79	Henly's	114½	..	10.0n	8.7	4.5
100	39½	Hepworth Cer	79	..	5.0	6.3	6.3
65	29¼	Hepworth J.	62	..	3.6	5.8	9.9
11½	6½	Herman Smith	9	..	0.4	4.2	37.5
143	76	Hestair	109	..	9.5	8.7	4.2
60	17¼	Hewden-Stuart	58	+1	1.9	3.3	6.2
22½	11	Hewitt J.	20	..	1.6	7.8	4.6
89	63	Hickingb P'cost	79	..	9.8	12.4	9.1
203½	98½	Hickson Welch	180	+5	5.2	2.9	4.8
97	36	Higgs & Hill	83	-2	5.2	6.3	4.1
50	23¼	Hill & Smith	50	+4	3.0	6.0	3.1
150	76	Hill C. Bristol	114	-1	9.9	8.6	..
300	71	Hillards	193	+3	6.7	3.5	5.5
92	68	Hoffnung S.	76	..	6.4	8.6	5.5
84	35	Hollas Grp	58	-1	6.4	11.0	8.3
74	34	Hollis Bros	63	+1	6.7	10.7	5.7
148	70	Holt Lloyd	137	+2	8.5	6.2	13.6
134	60	Home Charm	134	-1	5.5	4.1	9.2
410	195	Hoover	330	+7	22.5	6.8	12.8
412	195	Do A	330	+7	22.5	6.8	12.8
105	55	Hopkinsons	97	+3	7.7	7.9	5.4
103½	26	Horizon Mid	109½	+½	8.6	8.3	9.7
157	71	Hse of Fraser	148	..	7.2	4.9	10.8
78	28	Hoveringham	78	..	2.9	3.7	9.2
68	21½	Do RV	68	..	3.2	4.6	8.0
23	11¼	Howard & Wynd	19½	..	0.5	2.6	11.1
22	10½	Do A	19	..	0.5	2.6	10.8
53	27	Howard Mach	32	..	3.4	10.6	22.4
31	17	Howard Tenens	29	..	2.6	9.0	..
71	39	Howden Grp	57	+1	5.6	9.9	15.8
13¾	9¼	Hudsons Bay	£13⅞	-⅛	31.3	2.4	13.4
30	16	Hunt Moscrop	26½	..	1.1	4.6	7.6
220	76	Hunting Assoc	218	..	4.5	2.1	8.8
132	63	Huntleigh Grp	88	..	3.6	4.0	5.1
78	47	Hutch Whamp	77	+1	..	..	..

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
264	150	ICL	254	-2	11.3	4.4	4.7
118	75	IDC Grp	118	..	13.6	11.5	22.2
163	74	Ibstock Johns'n	148	..	9.3	6.3	5.5
445	329½	Imp Chem Ind	342	-1	25.0	7.3	7.5
130	75	Imp Cold Store	108	-2	7.8	7.2	4.2
85½	65	Imperial Grp	76	-½	8.8	11.3	8.8
69	46	Imp Metal Ind	60	-½	5.0	8.3	7.3
24½	17	Ingall Ind	23½	..	2.8	12.0	8.7
39	27	Ingram H.	38	..	4.3	11.2	9.0
74½	46	Initial Services	60½	+½	6.6	9.3	11.7
72	41½	Int Paint	70	..	3.6	5.1	6.2
135	79	Int Timber	116	..	9.9	8.6	5.4
82	47	Invereck Grp	66	-1	7.4	11.2	7.7
9¼	6½	Itoh BDR	£7⁹⁄₁₆	..	8.6	1.1	..
68	27	JB Hldgs	59	+1	1.6	2.8	5.3
28	12	Jacks W.	26	..	2.0	7.6	..
65	37	Jacksons B'End	65	+3	..e	..	..
14¼	5½	James M. Ind	14	..	0.8	5.4	..
356	149	Jardine M'son	237	+5	6.6	2.7	..
187	96	Jarvis J.	180	..	13.6	7.5	5.9
42	16	Jessups Hldgs	40	..	2.4	5.9	5.9
67	43¼	Johnson & F B	67	+1	7.1	10.6	4.9
101	27	Johnson Grp	35	..	3.9	6.2	6.6
492	307	Johnson Matt	416	..	20.2	4.9	8.7
120	36	Johnson-Richd	120	h +1	2.7	2.2	14.1
90	42¼	Jones Stroud	85	..	6.3n	7.4	6.5
44	21	Jourdan T.	40	..	4.4	11.0	4.5
60	27	K Shoes	55	..	3.4	6.3	5.0
32½	19½	Kalamazoo	29	..	3.1	10.7	6.6
135	38	Kelsey Ind	100	..	4.8	4.9	4.6
84	49½	Kenning Mtr	69	+½	6.3	9.1	4.1
44	21	Kent M. P.	40	..	3.2	8.0	10.8
73	13	Kitchen Taylor	53	..	1.5	2.8	5.5
113	82¾	Kode Int	110	-3	7.1	6.5	5.9
53½	15	Kwik-Fit Hldgs	51½	..	1.2	2.3	22.5
137¾	68¾	Kwik Save Disc	78	+2	3.9	5.1	11.9
96	62	LCP Hldgs	87	+1	7.3	8.3	7.5
46	29½	LRC Int	39	-½	4.4	11.4	6.7
127	80	LWT Hldgs 'A'	126	..	10.5	8.3	7.6
218	88	Ladbroke	192	..	10.6n	5.5	8.6
46½	25¾	Ladies Pride	43	+1	2.9	6.5	5.4
271	78	Laing J.	133	-6	5.0	3.8	10.5
170	69	Do A	132	+6	5.0	3.8	10.7
97	44	Laird Grp Ltd	87½	..	4.5	5.1	5.8
68	43	Lake & Elliot	48	-1½	5.3	11.1	10.8
41	31	Lambert H'wth	40	..	4.8	12.0	5.1
78	28	Lane P. Grp	53	..	5.0	9.4	3.7
131	83¼	Laporte Ind	96	+2	10.3	10.7	5.3
135	84	Latham J.	115	+3	10.5	9.1	5.8
136	45	Lawrence Scott	119	+2	7.6	6.4	7.0
106	52	Lawrence W.	92	..	9.9	10.7	6.9
86	24	Lawtex	56	+1	4.8	8.6	3.7
177	128	Lead Industries	145	-3	11.3	7.7	6.3
62	36	Le-Bas E.	42	..	2.5	6.0	..
25	15¾	Lee A.	24	..	2.2	9.2	5.2
138	29¼	Lee Cooper	135	..	2.5	1.8	5.8
189	32½	Leigh Int	144	+6	5.5n	3.8	18.9
115	60¾	Leisure C'van	100	..	6.7	6.2	12.5
45	27	Lennons Grp	36	-2	2.3	6.5	11.7
283	113	Lep Grp	237	..	5.2	2.2	7.1
82	57	Lesney Ord	64	..	4.1	6.4	4.7
167	70	Letraset	142	..	8.9	5.8	9.8
83	36½	Lex Services	82	+4	5.3	6.4	5.0
26½	9¼	Liberty Ord	£26½	..	70.0	2.8	9.2
88	33	Lilley F. J. C.	66	..	3.8	5.7	6.1
81	30	Lincroft Kilg	54	..	5.2	9.7	3.0
151	58	Lindustries	140	+1	13.6	9.7	8.1
197½	100	Linfood Hldgs	145	+5	14.2	9.8	6.1
39	19	Linread	37	..	3.4	9.1	..
47	22	Lister & Co	44	..	0.2e	0.3	..
79	64	Lloyd F. H.	68	..	7.5	11.1	6.0
19¼	9	Locker T.	15¾	+¼	1.3	8.5	8.6
18¾	8¾	Do A	15¾	..	1.3	8.7	8.4
118	58	Lockwoods Fds	115	..	5.6	4.9	6.2
81	44	Ldn & M'land	76	..	7.2b	9.5	6.7
43½	23	Ldn & N'thern	28	+1	3.0b	10.8	5.3
85	39	Ldn Brick Co	65	+1	4.9	7.6	5.0
217	94	Ldn Prov Post	211	..	14.5	7.0	7.6
72	31	Longton Trans	57	..	5.4	9.4	3.3
87	60	Lonrho	71	-1	9.9	14.0	4.2
85	39	Lonsdale Univ	79	-1	7.0	8.9	5.6
67	26	Lookers	66	..	3.7	5.6	3.5
90	44	Lovell Hldgs	83	..	5.9	7.1	3.9
175	120	Low & Bonar	174	..	16.5n	9.5	5.5
337	204	Lucas Ind	258	..	12.8	4.5	7.1
88	25	Lyon & Lyon	75	..	9.1	12.1	5.8
126	47	Lyons J. Ord	92	-1	11.5	12.5	7.2

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
81	16½	MFI Furn	78	-1	3.3	4.2	19.8
214	87	MK Electric	171	..	8.8	5.1	7.3
134	48	ML Hldgs	124	-8	6.4	5.1	10.8
70	37	MY Dart	59	..	3.6	6.2	4.6
253	138	McCorquodale	242	..	21.6	8.9	6.8
49	15	McInerney Prop	39	..	..	..	17.2
19	10	McCleery L'Amie	14½	..	0.4	2.6	..
49	25	Mackay H.	43	..	4.9	11.4	20.3
94	60¾	McKechnie Bros	86½	+3½	7.9	9.1	4.9
45	12½	Mackinnon (Scot)	40	..	2.5	6.3	5.2
87	31	McNeill Grp	57	..	..	..	..
63½	37	Macpherson D.	61	..	4.0	6.5	6.2
65	17	Madame Tussds	54	h ..	3.7n	5.8	13.5
217	113	Magnet & Sthns	175	+2	12.8	7.4	8.2
55½	29	Mallinson Denny	46	..	4.2	9.1	5.5
78	50	Man Agcy Music	73	-1	8.5	11.6	5.6
30	15	Manch Garages	27½	+½	3.6	12.9	3.6
247	177	Man Ship Canal	229	..	23.6	10.7	12.0
100	14	Mang Bronze	89	..	2.9	3.6	3.5
53	27	Mannrdale Grp	51	..	6.2	12.2	4.9
18	8½	Maple Hldgs	18	+½	..e	..	..
295	114	Marchwiel	283	+5	5.2	1.8	8.6
179	95	Marks & Spencer	146	..	6.4	4.4	17.7
99	46	Marley Ltd	82	+1	3.8	4.6	7.2
24	9¼	Marling Ind	18	+½	1.5	8.5	9.1
39½	31	Marshall Cav	34	-1	6.6	12.2	7.9
80	37	Marshall T Lox	50	+5	3.8	7.5	3.3
48½	26	Do A	48½	+6½	3.8	7.8	3.2
182	75	Marshalls Univ	236	..	9.5	4.1	5.3
97	45	Martin-Black	83	+2	6.7	12.9	3.2
236	95½	Martin-News	236	+2	10.2	4.0	8.1
161	91	Martonair	161	+1	8.3	5.2	10.0
85	45	May & Hassell	62	-1	4.4	7.0	4.1
134	60	Maynards	133	-1	7.6	5.7	8.3
31	15	Mears Bros	24	..	2.7	11.3	..
28	10¾	Medminster	25	..	2.9	11.6	14.3
78	50	Melody Mills	76	..	4.4	5.3	5.4
54	30½	Melville D & W	40	..	4.1	10.2	7.5
14	9	Mentmore Mfg	14	..	1.4	9.9	11.7
163	38	Menzies J.	158	..	3.6	2.3	5.2
362	246	Metal Box	306	+4	21.5	7.0	6.9
95	65	Metal Closures	78	..	6.4	8.2	6.5
46	13¾	Metalrax	43	..	1.7	4.0	7.5
35	28	Metioy	42	..	3.2	7.5	6.1
93	44	Meyer M. L.	79	+½	6.9	8.8	3.5
44	19	Midland Ind	47	..	1.5	3.7	6.0
96	35½	Milbury	73	..	7.3	9.8	7.4
195	25	Mills & Allen	175	..	3.0	1.7	..
203	94	Miln Marsters	195	h ..	8.6b	4.4	7.7
93	29	Mining Supplies	77	+9	1.7e	2.2	11.0
49	36½	Mit Cotts Grp	43	..	5.2	12.0	5.7
66	24½	Mitchell Somers	62	..	2.4	3.8	6.3
66	43	Mixconcrete	60	+1	4.8	8.1	9.7
40	22¾	Modern Eng	37	..	4.1	11.0	7.4
132	97	Molins	126	+1	10.6	8.2	6.8
93	22¾	Monk A.	93	..	5.4	5.8	9.7
50¼	33	M'santo 5% Ln	£45½	..	500	11.9	..
59½	40	Do 6¼ Ln	£53½	..	625	11.7	..
220	96	Do 5% Cnv	£122	..	500	4.1	..
60	36	Montfort Knit	54	..	5.3	9.8	6.8
96	25	More O'Ferrall	96	+2	5.2	5.4	23.9
137	86	Morgan Cruc	113	+1	8.0	7.1	8.1
46	24	Morgan Edwds	38	+3	..b	..	89.2
67	24	Morrall Abel	46	..	3.6	7.9	4.9
52	36	Morris & Blakey	43	..	6.2	13.0	11.5
50	33	Do A	48	..	6.2	13.0	11.5
109	46	Moss Bros	92	..	6.1b	6.6	16.7
73	46	Moss Eng	70	..	6.3	9.0	7.5
210	101	Mothercare	153	-2	4.2	2.7	17.6
15	8	Movitex	14	..	..	..	..
144	48	Mowlem J.	130	+2	9.9	7.6	8.9
200	127¾	Muirhead	173	..	7.6	4.4	13.2
72	39	Myson Grp	69	+2	1.6	2.2	..
117	48	NSS News	113	..	3.2	2.8	10.3
51	37	Nathan B. & L.	51	..	5.0	9.8	11.0
67	38	Nat Carbon	50	..	..e	..	..
39	12	Needlers	36	..	2.3	6.3	6.9
45	20½	Neepsend	42	..	4.6	10.9	17.1
90	37	Negretti & Zam	56	+1	5.9	5.8	7.8
100	69	Neill J.	99	..	9.7n	9.8	7.8
187	45	Newarthill	157	+1	7.3	4.7	4.6
75	33½	Newman Ind	74	..	7.6	10.2	3.0
72	33	Newman Tonks	61	..	6.1	9.9	7.3
180	38	Newmark L.	158	..	9.9n	6.3	5.0
94	51	Norcros	87	-1	6.2	7.1	6.7
44	11	Norfolk C Grp	37	..	0.9	2.5	15.4
46	26	Normand Elec	39	..	4.3	11.1	12.5
105½	84	NEI	105½	+7½	9.1	8.6	5.0
91	48¾	Nthn Foods	91	+1	3.7	4.1	10.8
205	44	Norton & Wright	192	..	6.0	3.1	18.5
38	9	Norton W. E.	35	..	1.0	2.8	6.9
100	52	Norwest Holst	85	-3	6.4	7.5	6.0
118	60	Notts Mfg	117	..	4.5	3.9	6.9
132	45½	Nurdin & Peacck	88	..	2.6	3.0	12.3
26	17½	Nu-Swift Ind	24	..	2.4	9.9	11.4

O—S

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
103	68	Ocean Wilsons	85	..	5.4	6.4	8.9
99	55	Office & Elect	96	-1	6.2	6.4	7.0
117	80	Ofrex Grp	112	..	5.5	4.9	8.5
39¾	23¼	Ogilvy & M	£39¼	+¼	21.5	0.5	18.8
96	40	Osborn S.	96	..	5.4	5.6	5.9
84	43	Owen Owen	84	..	4.3	5.2	8.5
67	7	Oxley Printing	59	+3½	3.6	6.4	2.3
124½	56½	Parker Knoll 'A'	101	-1	5.0	5.0	3.9
115	60	Parker Timber	103	..	3.3	3.0	4.6
39	14	Paterson R.	39	+2	3.5	8.9	11.3
230	136½	Paterson Zoch	195	+5	11.7b	6.0	3.6
225	117½	Do A NV	195	+10	11.7b	6.0	3.6
135	62½	Pauls & Whites	117	..	6.8	5.6	8.6
186	103	Pearson Long	182	-1	9.1	5.0	7.8
207	123	Pearson & Son	186	..	10.3	5.5	7.8
37½	24½	Do 4% Ln	£33	..	400	12.1	..
208	152	Pegler-Hatt	168	+8	11.6	6.9	5.5
25½	6	Pentland Ind	22½	-½	1.0	4.4	4.9
82	42	Pentos	80	..	6.6	8.1	5.3
90	63	Perkin El 4%	£75	-1	..	..	..
196	61	Perry H. Mtrs	190	-4	8.2	4.3	3.3
87	38	Petrocon Grp	68	+2	6.7	10.7	7.3
64	51	Philips Fin 5¾	£57	..	575	10.1	..
11	7¾	Philips Lamps	£9⅛	..	42.1	4.6	..
19	7	Phillips Pats	15	..	..	..	34.9
195	64	Phoenix Timber	150	+6	6.5	4.3	2.6
150	67	P'dilly Theatre	140	..	1.6	1.2	75.7
16	11	Pickles W.	13½	..	1.0	7.7	6.8
112	54	Pifco Hldgs	90	..	4.2	4.7	6.8
109	52	Do A	88	..	4.2	4.8	6.7
540	273	Pilkington Bros	463	..	16.9	3.6	6.9
68	44	Pittard Grp	61	..	4.2	6.9	5.7
77½	40½	Plaxtons	77½	+½	5.4	6.9	6.6
77	31	Pleasurama	77	..	3.1	4.0	7.5
117	62	Plessey	98	-1	7.4	7.6	9.9
15¼	7¼	Do ADR	£14¼	+¼	..	..	..
85	42	Plysu	73	..	2.9	2.5	10.1
462	126	Pork Farms	462	+2	19.8h	4.3	12.1
258	108	Portals Hldgs	214	-2	11.8	5.5	8.8
127	51	Porter Chad	112	..	7.5	6.7	6.6
39	32	Portsmth News	39	..	4.3	7.3	7.3
223	119	Powell Duffryn	167	-1	15.2	9.1	8.3
74	50	Pratt F. Eng	72	..	7.3	10.1	6.1
89	32	Preedy A.	83	+2	4.3	5.1	11.0
32	12¾	Press W.	24	..	1.3	5.3	5.5
185	107	Prestige Grp	160	..	8.5	5.3	9.2
46	27	Prestwich Pkr	31	+1	4.6	14.7	8.2
185	135	Pretoria P Cem	180	-5	17.6n	9.8	3.6
79	48	Priest B.	72	..	8.0n	11.1	6.0
34½	18¾	Pritchard Serv	33½	..	2.3	6.7	9.4
113	37	Pye Hldgs	102	+2	5.4n	5.3	6.5
36	23	Pyke W. J.	33	..	1.0	3.1	50.0
43	28	Pyramid Grp	48	..	3.3	7.7	8.8
23¾	14	Quaker Oats	£17½	-¼	59.7	3.4	18.5
35½	6½	Queens Moat	34	..	..	..	37.6
86	21	Quick H. J.	51	..	2.5	4.9	5.7
77	31	R.F.D.Group	61	+¼	2.4	3.9	5.8
80	27	RKT Textiles	72	f ..	7.1	9.9	4.3
268	117	Racal Elect	234	+2	5.9	2.6	11.7
18	12	Raine Eng	18	-½	1.3b	10.2	5.7
20	9	Rakusen Grp	17	..	..	..	..
278	140	Rank Org Ord	238	..	12.1	5.1	7.5
39½	39½	RHM	50½	..	5.9	9.9	8.0
67	50	RHP	58	..	5.8	10.0	7.6
158	96	Ransomes Sims	155	..	12.9	8.3	4.8
80	30½	Ratcliffe F. S.	65	..	7.1	11.0	6.4
74½	12½	Rainers	68	..	0.6	0.9	10.4
74	35	Raybeck Ltd	74	+1	3.0	6.8	13.0
38½	23½	Readicut Int	32	..	2.2	7.0	6.7
143	72	RMC	122	+4	8.7	7.2	7.2
510	330	Reckitt & Colmn	448	+3	18.1	3.6	8.4
98	59	Record Ridgway	78	..	6.8n	8.7	6.6
328	76	Redfearn Nat	315	+15	24.8	7.8	4.2
97	64	Rediffusion	92	-1	6.5	7.1	11.7
161	86	Redland	136	+2	6.2	4.6	9.4
62	16	Redman Heenan	53	..	2.8	5.3	3.6
100	32	Reed A.	84	..	4.3	5.2	7.0
97	32	Do A NV	82	..	4.3	5.3	6.8
81	75	Reed Exec	52	..	4.2	8.2	7.1
235	102	Reed Int	118	..	15.7	16.7	4.8
26½	14¼	Reliance Grp	£26½	..	66.1	2.5	14.4
41	19½	Reliance Knit	41	..	4.8	11.7	3.6
88	44	Rennies Cons	55	..	9.7	17.5	2.7
164	112	Renold Ltd	124	..	13.1	10.6	5.4
60	35	Rentokil Grp	56	+1	2.4	4.4	12.8
46	17	Renwick Grp	40	..	..e	..	27.0
96½	68	Revertex	96½	+1	7.3	3.1	7.2
65	37	Rexmore	60	..	6.5	10.9	4.9
149	35¾	Ricardo Eng	139	..	4.3	3.2	9.8
84	37	Richards & Wall	82	..	6.8	8.3	5.3
22	14½	Rich'n-Merrell	£19	-½	45.6	2.8	13.0
64	35	Richardsons W.	59½	+½	6.9	11.6	7.8
144	77½	Rockware Grp	111	-1	8.0	7.2	3.4
89	35	Rolls-R Motors	85	-1	7.2	8.1	8.5
52½	25	Ropner Hldgs	45½	..	3.2	7.8	4.9
49	24½	Do A	40	..	3.2	8.1	4.7
12½	4½	Rosgill Hldgs	12	..	..b	..	..
55	30	Rotaflex	47	-1	3.5	7.4	6.5
52	22	Rotaprint	41	..	4.2	10.3	6.8
58	22	Rothmns Int 'B'	53	-½	3.1	5.8	3.3
161	60	Rotork Ltd	116	..	3.6	3.1	6.7
167	65	Routledge & K	162	..	5.6	3.4	12.4
102	40	Rowlinson Cos	92	+2	3.4	3.7	4.7
430	202	Rowntree Mac	407	-4	12.4	3.0	9.7
167	68	Rowton Hotels	155	..	9.0	5.8	16.7
142	84	Royal Worcs	132	-2	9.7	7.3	23.1
41	14	Royco Grp	37½	..	2.3	6.1	9.4
40	18	Ruberoid	37	..	3.4	9.2	9.6
90	46	Rugby Cement	77	+½	5.9h	7.7	8.5
61	33	Do NV	57	-½	4.5	7.9	14.6
154	58	SGB Grp	150	-1	8.0	5.3	8.8
19	7¼	SKF 'B'	£12½	..	47.9	3.8	6.3
135	32	Saatchi	125	..	6.3	4.6	10.4
37½	20½	Sabah Timber	34	+½	2.3	6.5	3.3
285	130	Sainsbury J.	270	..	8.6	3.0	10.8
27	15½	St Gobain	£27	..	63.7	2.4	12.8
242	118¾	Sale Tilney	242	+2	13.5	5.6	8.6
290	116	Samuel H.	290	..	12.0	4.1	14.3
273	113	Do A	270	+2	12.0	4.4	13.3
65	42	Sanderson Kay	62	..	6.6	10.9	7.1
41	29	Sanderson Mur	37	..	4.7b	12.7	3.9
56	27	Sanger J. E.	34	-1	..	..	..
119	74	Sangers	82	..	8.3	10.9	6.8
77	33	Savoy Hotel 'A'	70	..	1.7	2.4	38.2
116	69	Scapa Grp	92	..	8.3n	9.0	1.6
297	193	Scholes G. H.	259	-1	25.1	9.7	12.2
92	41	Scotcros	66	..	4.6	6.9	6.5
62	14	S.E.E.T.	50	..	2.8	5.5	3.2
41	18	Scot Heritable	38	..	2.0n	5.1	4.5
73	25	Scottish TV 'A'	59	-1	3.6	6.1	4.2
122	55	Scot Univ Inv	119	h ..	3.8	2.6	58.7
70½	32½	Sears Hldgs	65½	-½	3.6	5.4	16.4
98	48	Securicor Grp	92	..	1.9	2.1	6.8
96	40	Do NV	90	..	1.9	2.1	6.6
102	46	Security Serv	102	..	3.0	3.0	5.7
100	40	Do A	100	..	3.0	3.0	5.6
28	11½	Sekers Int	28	..	2.1b	7.5	15.6
28	10¼	Selincourt	25	+½	1.9	7.4	4.7
27	18	Senior Eng	24	..	1.8	7.4	7.6
130	44	Serck	87	-½	9.0	10.3	7.2
39½	25	Shakespeare J.	34½	..	2.9	8.5	7.0
29	13	Shaw Carpets	28	..	..e	..	..
101	55	Sheepbridge	71	+4	6.4	9.1	9.0
13½	3½	Sherman S.	13	..	..	..	..
106	62	Sidlaw Ind	94	..	9.1	10.9	9.7
192	115	Siebe Gorman	170	+2	8.0	4.7	9.3
66	30	Siemssen Hunt	58	..	4.2	7.3	7.3
175	152	Sigmode 7% Cv	£165	..	700	4.2	..
259	129	Simon Eng	207	..	11.8	5.7	8.6
103	36	Simpson S.	103	..	5.5	5.6	8.3
100	38	Do A	100	..	5.5	5.5	8.2
67	31	Sirdar	66	..	4.4	6.7	5.0
93	54	600 Group	75	..	5.9	7.6	7.3
109	55	Sketchley	95	..	7.0	7.2	11.6
32	19	Small & Tidmas	29	..	3.0	10.4	8.9
40	10	Smallshaw R.	37	..	2.3	6.1	4.1
54	27½	Smart J.	54	+½	5.5	10.2	6.5
99	28	Smith D. S.	90	..	3.9	4.3	6.9
67½	35½	Smith & Neph	68	+½	3.7	5.8	7.6
168	67¾	Smith W. H. 'A'	146	..	3.1	2.1	16.4
192	120	Smiths Ind	164	+1	11.4	7.0	7.5
210	84¾	Smurfit	203	+6	9.2	4.5	22.3
27	15	Sobranie	24	..	2.5	10.6	9.8
28	15	Do NV	23	..	2.5	11.0	9.4
60	42	Solicitors Law	57	..	5.9	10.3	15.5
263	156	Sotheby P. B.	263	+2	10.7	4.8	21.0
172	111	Spear & Jackson	130	..	14.2	10.9	21.0
245	100	Spear J. W.	225	+½	2.8	1.3	7.3
33	14	Spencer Gears	33	..	1.7	5.0	9.0
39½	23	Spillers	37½	..	2.1n	7.3	11.0
290	140	Spirax-Sarco	276	+4	13.5	4.9	10.5
59	27	Spooner Ind	42	..	4.0	9.2	4.9
158	66	Staffs Potts	140	..	5.5	4.0	6.8
49	10½	Staflex Int	10½	..	..e	..	1.5
114½	49	Stag Furniture	98	+3	7.2	7.4	7.0
142	64	Stanley A. G.	126	+1	8.8	6.5	6.7
260	163	Staveley Ind	229	..	13.2	6.0	7.4
420	204¾	Steel Bros	420	-5	19.7	4.8	6.9
254	138	Steetley Co	185	..	9.9	5.3	4.6
16	9	Stelcberg	15	..	1.3	8.7	11.2
53	25	Stew't & L'ds	53	..	..	..	..
75	33	Stocklake Hldgs	63	-2	3.9	6.2	3.4
152	83	Stocks J. & Son	145	..	5.9	4.0	5.4
97	60¾	Stonehill	77	-1	9.1b	10.4	8.2
138	93	Stone Platt	112	..	5.5	4.9	5.4
174	56	Stothert & Pitt	166	..	14.9	9.0	7.5
43½	27	Streeters	29	+1	2.6	8.9	5.2
87	56	Strong & Fisher	59	..	6.6	11.3	3.4
32	11	Sunbeam W'sey	31	..	4.2	13.4	7.8
57	25	Sutcliffe S'man	52	-½	3.6	6.9	8.2
159	70	Swire Pacific 'A'	133½	+4½	..	..	..
20	9	Symonds Eng	17	..	2.0	11.9	18.1

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
31	9	Tace	29	-½	1.9n	6.5	5.1
14⁹⁄₁₆	6⅛	Takeda Bdr	£13⅞	-½	18.8	1.3	41.8
25½	3	Talbex Grp	23	..	0.8b	3.6	21.5
220	124	Tarmac Ltd	154	+3	14.9	9.6	7.3
273	189	Tate & Lyle	238	-2	20.4	10.8	4.5
139	93	Tavener R'dge	98	-2	8.8	9.6	14.2
85	43	Taylor Pallis	82	..	6.8	8.3	5.3
504	244	Taylor Woodrow	348	..	11.5	3.3	8.2
122	45	Tecalemit	122	..	8.5	4.5	8.6
42	18	Telefusion	34	..	1.9	5.5	5.6
41	17	Do A	33	..	1.9	5.6	5.5
142	84	Telephone Rent	125	..	8.8	7.1	10.8
32½	33	Tesco	40½	+½	2.3	5.7	8.1
29¼	11	Textured Jersey	21	..	1.5h	7.2	10.2
139	81	Thermal Synd	114	..	10.2	8.9	6.1
254¾	131¾	Thomson Org	242	-3	3.0	1.2	42.4
450	196¼	Thorn Electric	350	+6	10.4	3.0	9.5
14½	6½	Thurgar Bardex	14	..	1.0	7.4	4.9
[illegible]	405	Tiger Oats	540	..	30.9	5.7	4.5
232	184	Tilbury Cont	260	..	30.4	11.7	5.1
122	64½	Tilling T.	125	..	6.5	5.5	8.4
133	42	Time Products	133	+2	2.4	1.8	11.3
20	8	Titaghur Jute	19	..	..	..	..
24	10	Tomkins F. H.	23	..	1.5	6.3	8.4
51½	21	Tootal	51½	+1½	4.1	8.0	8.4
48	16	Toye	48	+1	1.3	2.7	27.4
53	32½	Tozer Kemsley	53	+1	4.7	8.8	5.1
166	85	Trafalgar H Ltd	126	-2	7.8	6.2	7.5
52	45	Trans Paper	50	..	6.7	9.8	8.5
73	45	Transport Dev	68	..	4.8	7.1	11.0
8⅛	2	Tranwood Grp	4¾	+¼	..	..	..
148	77	Travis & Arnold	137	..	5.8	4.3	6.0
63	25	Tricoville	63	..	2.8	4.4	5.8
69	31½	Trident TV 'A'	51	..	4.3	8.4	8.4
89	50	Triplex Found	78	..	6.6	8.5	6.1
201	114	Trust Hse Forte	190	+1	12.4	6.3	8.2
431	311½	Tube Invest	372	+2	31.8	8.5	4.6
287	197	Tunnel Hldgs 'B'	260	+2	15.5	6.0	9.7
17¼	7	Turner Curzon	10	..	1.1	10.5	6.0
233	132	Turner Newall	167	r -5	17.4	10.4	5.5
128	83	Turner Mfg	108	-1	6.1	5.6	4.1
72	27	Turriff	60	..	3.2	5.3	6.9
79	34	UBM Grp	74½	..	6.4	8.6	20.6
99	54	UDS Grp	89	..	7.3	8.2	14.6
192	143	UKO Int	155	..	12.5	8.1	8.4
103	65	Unicorn Ind	95	..	8.2	8.7	6.9
57½	42	Unigate	55	+1	4.8	8.8	7.8
596	412	Unilever	505	+4	20.8	4.1	6.5
[illegible]	20¾	Do NV	£26	..	123	4.7	10.1
118	55	Unitech	113	..	5.7n	5.0	13.1
177	130½	Utd Biscuit	157	..	8.3	5.3	8.8
64	31¾	Utd City Merc	61	-1	1.2	2.0	7.4
36	20	Utd Eng	36	..	3.4	9.4	9.9
63	31¾	Utd Gas Ind	54	..	5.5	10.2	8.8
352	198	Utd News	350	..	21.2	6.1	7.2
302	91¾	Utd Scientific	300	+2	9.1	3.0	13.5
42	19	Valor	39	..	3.0	7.8	6.8
133	78	Vantona	122	..	7.8	6.4	5.6
156	95	Vereeniging Ref	185	..	17.9	11.5	4.2
18¾	9½	Vetco	£17⅞	f ..	11.6	0.7	..
174	84	Vibroplant	162	..	15.0	9.3	11.8
242	144	Vickers	178	..	14.9	8.4	6.5
48½	26	Vita-Tex	42	..	4.9	11.5	6.2
182	71	Vosper	145	..	7.0	4.8	5.2
79	37	W Ribbons	74	..	5.0	6.8	7.0
99	70	WGI	99	-2	8.8	8.9	21.2
262	111	Waddington J.	218	+2	3.6	1.7	7.8
36	18	Wade Potteries	35	-1	2.2	6.1	7.3
117	70	Wadkin	113	..	8.9	7.9	4.3
126	83	Wagon Ind	117	..	11.3n	9.6	8.6
17½	10	Walker & Homer	11½	..	1.4	11.8	3.3
130	76½	Walker C & W	117	..	9.1	7.8	6.2
108	32	Walker J. Gold	77	..	3.5	4.6	6.1
102	32	Do NV	72½	..	3.5	4.9	5.7
117	59½	Ward & Gold	89	..	6.2	6.9	6.3
67	36½	Ward T. W.	65½	-½	6.2	9.5	10.3
21	13	Wardle B.	19	-¼	1.9	10.1	3.8
90½	44½	Waring & Gillow	88	..	5.0	5.7	9.1
46	28¼	Warne Wright	42	..	4.0	9.3	3.3
90	44	Warren J.	63	h ..	..e	..	..
54	18½	Warrington T.	47	-3	4.7	10.1	35.1
81	27¾	Waterford Glass	46	..	2.0	4.4	18.9
88	36½	Watmoughs	88	+3	5.5n	6.3	7.1
70	38	Watson & Philip	56	..	3.7	6.6	7.8
175	103½	Watts Blake	158	+2	6.4	4.0	10.4
22½	10½	Wearwell	18½	-½	..e	..	4.5
180	77½	Weir Grp	116	..	7.9	6.8	6.3
25½	9	Wellco Hldgs	24	..	0.8	3.2	4.0
50	31	Wellman Eng	47½	..	3.3	6.9	8.5
44	22	Westbrick Pds	34	..	2.2	6.7	7.5
57	29	Westinghse Brke	50	..	3.2n	6.4	5.4
66½	41	Westland Air	47	..	4.8	10.3	12.2
9	9	Westminster Inv	9	f ..	..e	..	..
26	15	Wharf Mill	22	..	2.2	9.8	10.1
54	25	Whatlings	43	..	3.9	9.0	8.5
240	115	W'sheaf Dist	198	h ..	11.4	5.7	10.7
50½	28	Wh'lock Mar	42	+¼	..	..	..
107	51	Whessoe	87	+1	7.0	8.0	4.8
17	8	Wheway Watson	16	..	1.3	8.3	9.6
84	41	White Child	77	..	6.9	8.8	6.6
195	138	Whitecroft	183	+4	20.0	10.9	4.1
54	18	Whiteley BSW	42	..	0.8e	1.8	18.0
135	56	Wholesale Ftg	125	..	8.3	6.6	7.3
276	95	Wigfall H.	203	h -2	11.4n	5.6	10.6
27	11	Wiggins Constr	25	..	2.4	9.6	6.0
128	35	Wight Cons	128	..	11.4	8.9	6.2
214	129	Wilkins'n Match	158	..	13.2	7.9	9.1
104	79	Do 10% Conv	£93	..	1000	10.8	..
46	28¾	Wills J. Cardiff	46	..	4.2	9.1	6.0
61	28	Willis G. & Sons	59	..	2.2	3.8	6.1
91½	51	Wilmot Breeden	69½	+½	4.7	6.8	5.1
47	17½	Wilson Bros	40	..	2.1	5.3	9.8
91	38	Wimpey G	78	..	1.1	1.4	10.1
47	24	Winn Ind	44	..	4.2	9.6	5.5
44	28½	Witter T.	43	..	4.4	10.4	9.9
200	92	W'aley Hughes	187	..	10.6	5.7	8.8
38	13	Wood & Sons	32	..	1.8	3.1	5.5
47	39	Wood S. W.	39	..	3.8	14.8	..
161	63	Wood Hall Tst	95	+1	7.3	7.7	4.8
127	49½	Woodhead J.	95	+4	5.4	5.7	6.1
52	26	W'dh'se Rixson	31	+1	3.5	11.3	20.0
71½	49	Woolworth	66	+½	6.3	9.6	12.0
285	140	Yarrow & Co	260	..	7.3	2.8	6.9
73	29¾	York Trailer	68	-2	3.3	4.8	6.5
80	31	Youghal C'pts	32	+1	..	..	..
44	17	Young H. Hldgs	42	..	..e	..	..
54	21	Zetters	50	..	1.6	3.2	11.9

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
265	175	Akroyd & Sm	222	+2	25.4	11.4	3.3
400	280	Assam Trdng 'B'	380	..	3.5	0.9	4.2
55	17	Boustead	35	+3	2.3	6.5	9.7
35	6	Brit Arrow	29	..	..	..	..
153	102	Challenge Corp	136	..	6.6	5.3	6.7
66	42	Charterhse Grp	59	+1	5.1	8.6	11.6
49¼	22¼	C Fin de Suez	£40½	..	..	..	..
348	225	Daily Mail Tst	280	..	18.2	6.5	17.6
345	210	Do A	278	..	18.2	6.6	17.4
235	185	Dalgety	285	+1	19.5	7.6	8.9
37½	13	Dawnay Day	34½	+2	1.5	4.4	13.5
23	13	Edin Ind Hldgs	16½	+½	0.2n	0.9	37.5
113	79	Electra Inv	105½	..	8.5	8.2	22.5
27	15	Exploration	24	..	0.8	3.1	10.1
85	57	FC Finance	65	-2	3.0	4.6	8.3
31	14	Goode D & M Grp	23	-1	0.2	0.8	..
427	283½	Inchcape	415	+3	22.7b	5.5	9.6
129	88	Lloyds & Scot	87	..	6.0	6.9	11.4
18	6	Ldn & Euro Grp	18	..	..	..	..
120	81	M&G Grp Hldgs	104	..	5.2	5.0	11.0
54	26	Manson Fin	49	..	4.9	10.0	17.3
78	47	Martin R. P.	48	+1	7.2	14.7	7.4
119	81	Prov Fin Grp	94	+1	7.4	7.9	8.4
132	87	Sime Darby	101	-1	3.5	3.3	13.6
62	37	Smith Bros	55	..	7.5	13.5	11.6
750	631	Tyndall O'seas	725	..	46.4	6.4	..
55	14	Utd Dom Tst	39	..	..e	..	29.5
58½	21¾	Wagon Fin	44	..	3.1	7.1	9.3
87½	33	Yule Catto	74½	-2½	2.1	2.8	9.7

INSURANCE

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
131	65	Bowring	109	..	4.5	4.1	..
58	38	Brentnall Beard	38	-2	1.9	5.1	11.7
184	112	Britannic	160	+2	13.9	8.7	..
172	102½	Com Union	145	+1	11.6	8.0	..
190	107	Eagle Star	144	+2	9.3	6.4	..
194	114	Equity & Law	162	+4	10.1	6.3	..
284	161	Gen Accident	210	..	12.3	5.8	..
234	175	Guardian Royal	218	+2	15.4	7.1	..
308	185	Hambro Life	308	+1	30.3	9.8	..
285	139½	Heath C. E.	283	+6	7.5	2.8	12.1
201	125	Hogg Robinson	136	+1	9.0	4.9	10.4
201	127	Howden A.	173	+3	8.5	4.9	9.3
184	108	Legal & Gen	153	+1	8.7	5.7	..
117	90	Leslie & Godwin	92	..	6.8	7.4	9.8
146	91¼	London & Man	130	..	9.8	7.6	..
151	57	Ldn Utd Inv	148	..	6.4	4.3	8.2
288	173	Matthews W'son	180	-1	13.9	7.7	5.4
193	108	Minet Hldgs	186	+6	5.1	2.7	11.6
79	43	Moran C.	52	..	5.0n	9.6	5.7
292	192	Pearl	230	..	19.1	8.3	..
322	188	Phoenix	248	..	15.7	6.3	..
130	100	Prov Life 'A'	123	..	12.4	10.1	..
130	100	Do A Br	123	..	12.4	10.1	..
130	100	Do B	125	..	12.4	9.9	..
130	100	Do B Br	125	..	12.4	9.9	..
190	116	Prudential	146	+1	10.1	6.9	..
152	94	Refuge	134	+2	10.5	7.8	..
480	290	Royal	367	..	24.9	6.8	..
396	224	Sedg. Forbes	390	+8	14.5	3.7	12.5
111	59	Stenhouse	102	..	6.1	6.0	7.6
662	388	Sun Alliance	540	+7	5.2b	1.0	..
117	65	Sun Life	100	+2	5.2b	5.2	..
175	113	Trade Indem'ty	165	..	12.7	7.7	..
319	195	Willis Faber	283	+3	13.6	5.2	12.1

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
142	104	Aberdeen Trst	131	..	7.7b	5.8	25.4
224	166	Alliance Trust	215½	+½	10.8n	5.0	29.2
49	37½	Amer Trust	43½	-¼	2.1	4.7	32.0
100	75	Ang-Amer Secs	95	-½	4.6	4.8	28.7
52	32	Anglo Int Inv	44	..	4.9	11.0	13.3
137	87	Do Ass	117	+1	..	..	..
44½	31	Anglo Scot	43	+½	2.4	5.6	27.9
133½	93½	Ashdown Inv	119½	+1	6.1	5.1	28.4
79	35	ABC Regional	69	..	0.8	1.2	70.4
90½	63	Atlantic Assets	86	..	0.6	0.7	..
82	40	Atlas Electric	57	+½	2.4	4.2	33.9
61½	39¼	Bankers Inv	53	-½	3.5b	6.6	21.9
58	40	Berry Trust	57½	..	1.3	2.3	63.2
298½	208½	Border & Sthrn	274½	+1	11.7	4.3	33.8
41½	30	Brit Am & Gen	38	..	2.5	6.6	22.2
75	49	Brit Assets Tst	73	-1	3.3	4.6	31.2
12	7½	Brit Emp Sec	10¾	-¼	0.5	4.7	19.4
265	126	Brit Invest	185	h ..	8.3	4.4	35.6
149	102½	Broadstone	140½	+2	7.5	5.6	25.9
89½	63	Brunner	80½	+½	5.4	6.0	24.9
76	42	Brycourt Inv	66	..	3.3	4.8	21.5
88	63	CLRP Inv	63	..	2.9	4.6	26.6
298	187	Caledonia Inv	229	+1	12.8	5.6	25.2
75½	56	Caledonian Tst	73½	-½	2.6	3.5	46.0
73	52	Do B	73	+1	..	..	..
139½	91	Capital & Natl	119½	+1	6.8	5.7	..
127½	84½	Do B	112½	+1	..	..	..
107½	73	Cardinal 'Dfd'	102½	..	5.9	5.8	..
113½	85½	Carliol Inv	108½	..	5.8	5.4	25.1
67	46	Cedar Inv	63	-½	3.8	6.0	23.9
59	40	Charter Trust	53	..	3.3	6.2	23.9
73½	54	Clydesdale Inv	71	..	2.7	3.7	46.8
72	49	Do B	71	..	..	..	..
13	8¼	Common Mkt	£13	+¼	20.5g	1.6	..
209½	152½	Cont & Ind	180½	+3	9.1	4.8	32.6
169	102	Crescent Japan	168	..	..	..	..
82	45	Crossfriars	71	..	5.2	7.3	20.6
29¼	14½	Cumulus	28½	..	1.2	5.1	29.4
139	50	Delta Inv	120	..	..	..	..
216	132	Derby Tst 'Inc'	212	..	20.4	9.6	18.2
170	86	Do Cap	147	..	..	..	..
135	100	Drayton Com	128	..	6.8	5.4	24.5
146	115	Drayton Cons	142	..	7.1	5.0	26.8
196	150	Do Premier	181	..	10.2	5.6	25.1
65	40½	Dundee & Ldn	59	..	3.5	5.9	24.9
117	65	Edin Amer Ass	113	-1	1.7	1.5	75.4
229	164	Edinburgh Inv	215	+1	10.3	4.8	30.3
72½	50	Elec & Gen	69	..	2.2b	3.2	42.9
93½	69½	Eng & Int	85½	..	5.3	6.2	23.0
79	54½	Eng & N York	73	..	3.9	5.4	27.2
283	177½	Estate Duties	277	+2	12.1	4.4	30.8
93	69	First Scot Am	90	..	4.3	4.8	30.3
156	117	Foreign & Colnl	135	+½	5.7	3.7	41.9
131	98	Gt Japan Inv	119	..	2.3	1.9	57.5
148½	100	Gen Funds 'Ord'	140½	..	7.1	5.1	38.2
117½	78	Do Conv	111½	..	..	..	..
106	76½	Gen Inv & Tsts	99	..	6.1	6.1	20.9
84	65	Gen Scottish	83½	-½	5.1	6.1	24.5
93	64	Glendevon	91½	-½	2.6	2.8	64.4
123½	72	Globe Trust	107	..	6.2h	5.8	24.0
76	49	Grange Trust	71	..	3.2	4.5	31.4
110	75	Great Northern	96	+1	5.9	6.1	24.3
86	61½	Greenfriar	78	..	2.2	2.8	43.3
56	37	Gresham Hse	52	..	4.6	8.8	12.4
84½	57	Guardian	77	..	3.5	4.6	32.2
94	61	Hambros	87	..	5.1	5.8	26.7
33	12½	Harcros	33	h ..	1.0	2.9	58.9
198½	122	Hill P. Inv	174	+2	10.8	6.2	24.7
79	42	Hume Hldgs A	74	..	6.4	8.6	18.7
53½	36½	Indus & General	49½	+½	2.2	4.4	32.1
76	52	Internat Inv	72	..	4.0	5.5	23.9
126½	88½	Invest in Suc	126½	..	4.4	3.5	40.3
206	162	Inv Tst Corp	206	+2	9.2	4.5	33.3
79½	59½	Inv Cap Trst	79½	..	2.5	3.1	43.9
129½	103½	Jardine Japan	128½	..	1.3	1.0	..
154	103	Jersey Ext	154	+3	..	..	..
90	66	Lake View Inv	88½	..	3.6	4.1	33.1
101	68	Law Deb Corp	96	..	6.8	7.1	20.0
111	84	Ldn & Holyrood	106	..	5.5	5.0	30.0
181	139	Ldn & Montrose	178	..	8.3	4.7	33.0
109	84	Ldn & Prov Tst	105	..	5.2	4.9	30.9
96	34	Ldn Merch Sec	88	+2	2.1	2.4	..
94½	31	Do Cap	87	+1	..	..	..
71	44	Ldn Pru Invest	69	..	4.2h	6.0	29.0
193	126	Ldn Trust	182	..	12.1b	6.6	23.9
39½	26	Mercantile Inv	39½	+½	1.9	4.8	25.8
72½	55	Merchants Trust	69	..	3.9	5.7	26.0
50	40½	Monks Inv	49¼	..	2.1	4.4	33.0
85	47	Moorgate Inv	82	..	4.6	5.6	26.3
97	60	Moorside Trst	86	..	7.2	8.4	17.8
22	11½	New Throg 'Inc'	16	..	2.3h	14.6	12.0
123	24	Do Cap	87	+3	..	..	..
94	74½	North Atlantic	88	..	4.1	4.6	38.6
100	71	Northern Amer	93	-½	4.3	4.6	32.7
101	64	Northern Sec	101	..	5.0b	5.0	23.6
88	48	Oil & Associated	57	..	3.0	5.2	27.7
118	88	Pentland	118½	+½	6.1n	5.8	25.1
75	60	Progressive Sec	74	..	4.0	5.4	27.2
128	98	Raeburn	122	..	5.6	4.8	29.0
177	108	River & Merc	164	..	12.3	7.5	18.5
144	86½	River Plate	133	..	9.5	7.1	..
97	69	Romney Trust	90	..	4.0	4.5	31.0
187	104½	Rothschild	180	..	8.5	4.7	27.2
71	44	Safeguard	70½	+½	5.5	7.7	18.7
88	57½	Scot Amer	87	-½	3.8	4.4	..
71½	35½	Scot&Cont Inv	71	..	1.8	2.6	55.9
131	49	Scot & Merc 'A'	94	+1	4.6	4.9	20.6
139½	102	Scot Eastern	134	+1½	6.1	4.6	31.4
38½	26	Scot European	37½	..	2.3b	6.1	27.4
99½	75	Scot Invest	96½	-½	3.9	4.0	36.1
116½	91½	Scot Mortgage	109½	-½	5.0	4.6	34.1
149½	111	Scot National	139½	..	5.2	3.8	35.7
100	70	Scot Northern	97½	-1	4.2	4.3	32.7
73½	57½	Scot United	72	..	2.4	3.4	44.7
90½	70	Scot Western	90	..	3.6	3.9	43.3
87½	64½	Do B	87½	..	..	..	..
191½	143	Sec Alliance	180½	..	8.6n	4.7	28.7
80½	61½	Sec Gt Northern	79½	..	2.8	3.5	47.6
77½	58	Do B	77½	..	..	..	46.4
174	132	Sterling Trust	164	+1	8.0	4.9	29.4
94½	67½	Stockholders	89½	+½	3.1	3.5	41.2
104	63	Throg Sec 'Cap'	96	..	..	..	..
73	42½	Throgmtn Trust	69½	..	6.6	9.7	15.6
160½	125	Trans-Oceanic	159	..	7.5	4.8	27.9
67½	50½	Tribune Inv	64	..	2.0	3.1	36.8
67½	46½	Triplevest 'Inc'	61½	..	6.7	10.9	14.0
179	94	Do Cap	136	+2	..	..	..
139	92	Trustees Corp	127	..	6.4	5.0	29.7
111	87½	Tyneside Inv	106	-1	5.6	5.3	24.9
128	97	Utd Brit Secs	122	..	6.4	5.2	30.7
95	74½	Utd States Deb	92½	..	5.3n	5.8	24.7
190	142	Utd States Gen	175	-1	9.8	5.2	26.1
104	69¼	Viking Res	83	-½	1.7	2.0	54.2
194	140	W'bottom Trust	184	-3	7.8	3.6	39.1
86	63	Witan Inv	82	-½	3.2b	3.9	..
82	61	Do B	77	..	0.1	0.1	..
171	111	Yeoman Tst	155	..	11.5	7.4	19.7
32½	17	Yorks & Lancs	32	-½	2.1b	6.4	23.2
80	50	Young Co Inv	73	..	5.0b	6.8	21.3

SHIPPING

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
321	215	Brit & Comm	272	..	13.0	4.8	9.3
152	84	Fisher J.	113	..	2.3	1.8	7.0
350	207	Furness Withy	246	-4	11.9	4.8	4.9
305	140	Hunting Gibson	190	..	16.4	8.6	2.6
41½	24¼	Jacobs J. I.	38	..	2.8	7.4	15.3
87¾	30	Ldn & O'seas Fr	52½	+½	5.1	15.7	..
270	210	Manch Liners	210	-10	7.7	3.7	19.4
179	118	Ocean Trans	120	-1	12.4	10.2	4.2
172	91	P & O 'Dfd'	97	-1	9.6	9.8	6.7
128	96	Runciman W.	107	+4	12.6	11.7	7.8

MINES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
530	370	Anglo Am Coal	495	..	36.8	7.2	..
322	195	Anglo Am Corp	304	-2	19.8g	6.4	..
17½	11¾	Ang Am Gold	£13⅝	+¼	97.3	6.1	..
37¾	19	Anglo Am Inv	£29¼	..	361	10.2	..
9¾	6¾	Anglo Transvl	£8¾	+¼	68.1	9.8	..
9¾	6	Do A	£8¾	+¼	68.1	9.8	..
15½	8¼	Asarco	£13¾	-¼	20.5	1.5	..
387	285	Ayer Hitam	305	..	66.0	21.6	..
58	28	Beralt Tin	52	+1	6.1	11.7	..
417	249	Blyvoors	336	+6	33.5	10.0	..
46	12	Botswana RST	14	..	..	..	..
98	55	Bracken Mines	71	+3	19.5	27.4	..
127	61	BH South	75	..	..e	..	..
10½	5¾	Buffelsfontein	£8¾	+⅛	94.5	10.7	..
154	106	Charter Cons	125	..	11.8	9.4	..
236½	136	Cons Gold Fields	172	-2	13.1	8.0	..
354	188	De Beers 'Dfd'	326	-2	31.8	9.8	..
336	145	Doornfontein	250	+6	18.7	7.5	..
393	128	Durban Rood	294	+17	..e	..	..
35	9	East Dagga	27	..	..	..	..
735	425	E Driefontein	682	+10	88.5	[illegible]	..
417	177	E Rand Prop	310	+13	..e	..	..
59	29	El Oro M & Ex	54	+1	1.2	2.8	..
154	64	Elsburg Gold	100	+½	8.4	4.8	..
17¾	8⅜	F S Geduld	£16¾	+¼	176	10.8	..
142¾	54¾	Geevor Tin	130	-8	7.6	5.8	..
17½	12	Gen Mining	£15¾	..	136	8.6	..
152	52	Grootvlei	99	+8	11.9	11.8	..
310	160	Hamersley	190	..	..	..	..
136	77	Hampton Gold	133	-3	2.2	1.7	..
469	235	Harmony	310	+9	33.1	10.7	..
13½	7½	Hartebeest	£10⅝	+¼	91.9	8.4	..
15	10¼	Jo'burg Cons	£13½	..	104	9.0	..
392	200	Kinross	304	+9	27.4	8.8	..
578	290	Kloof	408	+2	16.7	4.0	..
32	20	Leslie	43	-1	6.1	14.1	..
563	175	Libanon	486	+10	40.7	20.6	..
76	42	Lydenburg Plat	58	..	..	..	..
242	123	MIM Hldgs	185	-1	3.7	3.1	..
85	39	MTD (Mangula)	44	..	4.1	9.3	..
410	220	Malayan Tin	310	..	..	..	..
121	46	Marievale Con	96	+2	28.3	33.5	..
193	71	Messina Trans	96	+1	19.0	20.1	..
36	10	Metals Explor	15	..	..	..	..
230	125	Middle Wits	163	+1	14.2	8.9	..
184	125	Minorco	232	+2	6.2	4.1	..
490	247	Nthgate Explor	330	-10	13.3	3.6	..
84	28	Pahang Cons	54	+6	3.8	6.9	..
[illegible]	345	Peko Wallsend	465	+2	..	..	..
10⅝	6¾	Pres Brand	£9⅝	-⅛	78.8	9.1	..
7⅛	4¾	Pres Steyn	£6¾	..	39.1	3.8	..
160	80	Rand Mine Prop	130	..	3.9	5.3	..
[illegible]	19	Randfontein	£34½	+¾	221	6.4	..
246	164	Rio Tinto Zinc	200	..	14.4	7.2	..
125	53	Roan Cons 'B'	65	..	..	..	..
[illegible]	60	Rustenburg	76	+1	..e	..	..
90	35	Saint Piran	56	..	3.0	5.4	..
13¾	6⅝	St Helena	£7⅝	..	82.1	11.0	..
500	370	Selection Tst	355	-1	28.3	7.3	..
231	118	Sentrust	206	-5	18.8	9.2	..
97	29	SA Land	42	..	..e	..	..
76	48	South Crofty	55	..	6.3	11.4	..
520	335	Southvaal	476	+14	13.1	2.7	..
305	150	Sthn Malayan	285	..	25.2	7.1	..
190	57	Sungei Besi	190	+10	..	..	..
164	116	Tang Cons	145	+3	11.0	7.6	..
103	42	Tanjong Tin	90	..	9.9	10.9	..
250	207½	Tharsis Sulph	250	..	20.0	8.0	..
13	9¼	Transvaal Cons	£12	..	61.4	4.7	..
200	93	Tronoh Mines	188	..	19.6	10.4	..
232	117	UC Invest	230	-5	20.1	10.6	..
294	165	Union Corp	265	+1	22.6	8.5	..
[illegible]	8	Vaal Reefs	£12⅜	+⅛	77.0	6.3	..
288	70	Venterspost	177	+4	71.5	40.4	..
42	27	Wankie Colliery	37	..	6.5	17.5	..
313	118	Welkom	270	+8	33.0	12.2	..
23	13¾	W Driefontein	£17⅞	+⅛	174	9.8	..
209	78	W Rand Cons	129	..	8.2	6.3	..
242	110	Western Areas	177	+4	9.2	4.6	..
8⅛	5½	Western Deep	£7⅛	+⅛	51.3	7.0	..
19⁹⁄₁₆	10½	Western Hldgs	£15⁹⁄₁₆	-⅛	207	11.2	..
164	84	Western Mining	120	..	1.8	1.5	..
777	380	Winkelhaak	620	+5	60.9	9.8	..
23½	10	Zambia Copper	12	+½	..e	..	..

OIL

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
77	43	Ampol Pet	77	..	..	..	..
130	47	Attock	80	..	..	..	..
196	128	Brit Borneo	164	..	9.3	5.6	64.3
960	720	BP	800	..	33.5	4.2	8.6
83	41	Burmah Oil	51	..	..	..	..
66½	44½	Century Oils	57	..	3.7	6.5	4.3
34½	16½	Charterhall	21½	-½	..	..	25.1
23	12¾	C F Petroles	£22	..	164	7.3	3.6
44	24	KCA Int	31	+1	0.2	0.5	..
195	134	Lasmo	176	..	..	..	..
415	265	Do Ops	358	+6	..	..	..
109½	84½	Do 14% Ln	£103	..	1400	13.6	..
322	77	Oil Exploration	208	..	3.2	1.5	29.5
22½	8	Premier Cons	14½	..	..	..	..
36	14¾	Ranger Oil	£24¾	-½	..	..	..
50¾	35¾	Royal Dutch	£46¾	..	147	3.2	3.3
632	458	Shell Trans	552	..	23.8	4.3	6.6
202	164	Tricentrol	162	-2	2.0	1.2	18.9
366	124	Ultramar	258	-2	..	..	13.5
156	84	Do 7% Cnv	147	..	20.6	7.2	..

PROPERTY

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
60¾	29¾	Allied Ldn	59½	..	2.8	3.5	11.4
230	127	Allnatt Ldn	185	+1	5.9	3.2	25.0
242	114	Apex Props	204	..	5.3	2.6	35.1
20	11	Aquis Secs	19	..	1.0	5.4	21.1
95	51¾	Beaumont Prop	80	+1	5.8	7.3	19.9
69	23½	Bellway Hldgs	69½	+1	4.0	6.1	..
127	89	Berkeley Hmbro	85	..	4.0	4.6	30.4
186	130	Bilton Percy	153	+3	9.4	6.1	19.1
183	116	Do Accum	148	+3	0.3	0.2	..
234	118	Bradford Prop	210	..	9.9	4.7	8.9
47½	22	British Land	30	..	..e	..	..
116	56½	Brixton Estate	90	+1	2.9b	3.2	25.5
53	10	Cap & Counties	46	+½	1.6b	3.3	..
320	141	Chesterfield	272	..	5.5	2.0	38.7
14½	6½	Chown Secs	11½	..	..	..	..
270	145	Churchbury Est	240	..	6.6	2.7	33.9
64	37½	City Offices	47½	..	2.6	5.5	15.3
174	114	Corn Exchange	170	..	3.0	1.8	29.5
27½	17	Country & New T	22	..	1.0	4.5	..
91	35	County & Dist	77	-½	1.2	1.6	27.5
88	32½	Daejan Hldgs	77½	..	4.5	5.8	13.0
51½	20	Eng Prop	29½	-½	3.5	11.8	10.5
20½	11	Estates & Gen	17½	..	1.5	8.7	14.6
100	32	Evans of Leeds	77	..	2.0	2.6	27.9
330	200	Gt Portland	264	..	6.0	2.3	48.1
87	53	Guildhall	74	..	3.8n	5.1	17.1
595	310	Hammerson 'A'	530	..	7.7	1.4	90.3
260	152	Haslemere Ests	217	..	4.6	2.1	34.9
231	142	Land Secs	193	..	7.3	3.8	36.5
56	32½	Law Land	37	..	1.5	4.1	..
93	46½	Ldn & Prov Sh	73	..	1.1	1.4	40.6
74	40	Ldn Shop	57	..	4.6	8.0	42.5
132	69	Lynton Hldgs	106	..	3.6	3.4	18.2
134	46	MEPC	108	..	2.6	2.4	33.8
190	68	McKay Secs	185	..	2.3	1.2	24.8
27	8	Marler Estates	27	+6	..	..	..
43½	15	Midhurst Whites	42	+¼	..	..	..
122	46	Mucklow A & J.	115	..	3.7n	3.2	21.9
179	108	Municipal	175	..	7.7	4.4	10.3
83	28	Peachey Prop	81	+4	1.5	1.9	..
315	180	Prop & Rever	292	..	7.2	2.4	42.7
315	178	Do A	290	..	7.2	2.4	41.4
347	216	Prop Hldgs	297	..	9.9	3.3	42.5
156	44	Prop Sec	133	..	3.1	2.4	..
6¾	2	Raglan Prop	4¾	..	..	..	..
87	31	Regional	75	..	2.5b	1.9	..
77	30	Do A	59½	..	1.5b	2.6	..
118	29	Rush & Tompkins	108	+1	4.4	4.0	11.9
118	59¼	Scot Met Props	99	+1	2.9b	3.0	40.6
128	77	Slough Ests	111	..	3.4	3.4	24.9
268	158	Stock Conv	224	..	3.8n	1.4	31.0
228	90	Sunley B.	170	..	6.0	3.5	..
17	5	Town & City	12½	..	0.0e	0.2	..
97	41	Trafford Park	89	..	3.7	4.4	17.5
34	10½	UK Props	19	..	..	..	14.5
19	10½	W'mster & C'ty	15	..	0.7	5.0	13.8

RUBBER

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
94	34	Anglo-Indonesia	94	..	3.9	4.1	..
51	18	Bradwall FMS	51	+½	2.6	5.1	..
300	82	Castlefield	297	-3	5.0	1.7	..
77½	25	Chersonese	77½	+1	4.2	5.8	..
141	74½	Cons Plant	137½	-1½	12.0	8.7	..
56	13	Doranakande	55	-2	2.2n	4.0	..
12½	5½	Grand Central	10	..	0.8	8.3	..
263	155	Guthrie Corp	263	+3	16.2	6.9	..
89	48	Harrisons Malay	89	+3½	4.6b	5.1	..
94½	36½	Highlds & Low	93	..	5.6	6.1	..
173	61	Hongkong	173	..	11.6	6.4	..
218	125	Killinghall	218	..	17.5	8.0	..
46½	23	Kulim Malaysia	44½	-½	2.1	4.7	..
138	44	Ldn Sumatra	136	h ..	6.1n	4.4	..
67	22½	Majedie	67	..	1.0	1.5	..
45	10½	Malayalam	45	h +3	1.7	3.9	..
44½	12½	Muar River	44½	..	0.7	1.5	..
73½	34	Plant Hldgs	69	+1	3.2	4.6	..
29	10½	Sungei Krian	£29	..	114	3.9	..

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High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
380	147	Assam Frontier	332	+2	24.6	9.4	..
116	82	Assam Inv	107	-1	10.6	9.9	..
240	95	Camellia Inv	202	+2	3.0	1.5	..
156	22	Deundi	145	h +2	4.9	3.4	..
245	120	McLeod Russel	225	..	20.0n	9.1	..
410	124	Moran	390	..	22.7n	5.8	..
109	15	Surmah Valley	109	..	10.0	9.2	..
225	102	Warren Plant	225	+18	20.0b	8.9	..

MISCELLANEOUS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
11¾	7⁹⁄₁₆	Algoma Cen Rly	£11	..	26.0	2.4	17.7
71	40	Calcutta Elec	70	..	13.0	18.6	..
52½	42	E Surr Wtr 4.9%	£50	-1½	490	9.8	..
38½	31½	Essex Wtr 3.5%	£37	-1	539	14.3	..
64	47	Gt Ntrn Tele	£60	..	193	3.2	13.4
450	310	Imp Cont Gas	352	..	14.2	4.0	14.4
38	32	Mid Kent Wtr	£38	..	500	13.2	..
92	46	Milford Docks	79	+2	4.2	5.9	7.7
278	140	Nigerian Elec	250	..	20.0	8.0	..
38½	31½	Sunderlnd Wtr	£37	-1	538	14.6	..

e Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

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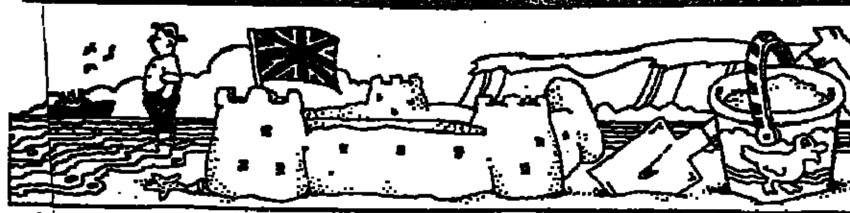
The Times Share Indices for 28.04.78 (base date June 2, 1964 original base date June 2, 1950):—

	Index No. Latest	Div. Yield %	Earnings Yield %	Index No. Previous
The Times Industrial Share Index	199.44	6.64	15.42	199.96
Largest Coys.	202.88	6.37	11.80	203.82
Smaller Coys.	189.36	7.52	14.48	188.16
Capital Goods	227.48	7.18	15.04	226.17
Consumer Goods	218.01	6.78	12.05	215.42
Store Shares	173.13	6.91	8.04	173.61
Largest financial shares	217.56	5.54	—	216.35
Largest financial and industrial shares	206.46	6.37	—	206.04
Commodity shares	237.98	5.55	13.91	238.70
Gold Mining shares	293.33	8.80	17.23	290.31
Industrial debenture stocks	93.87	6.36*	—	93.87
Industrial preference stocks	68.30	11.97*	—	58.31
3½% War Loan	32⅝ø	10.68*	—	32⅝

A record of The Times Industrial Share Indices is given below:—

	High	Low
All-time	222.96 (14.09.77)	60.16 (13.12.74)
1978	208.15 (06.01.78)	184.85 (02.03.78)
1977	222.96 (14.09.77)	151.39 (12.01.77)
1976	171.85 (05.05.76)	118.89 (27.10.76)
1975	156.92 (19.11.75)	61.43 (06.01.75)
1974	138.13 (28.02.74)	60.16 (13.12.74)
1973	189.33 (12.01.73)	130.99 (14.12.73)

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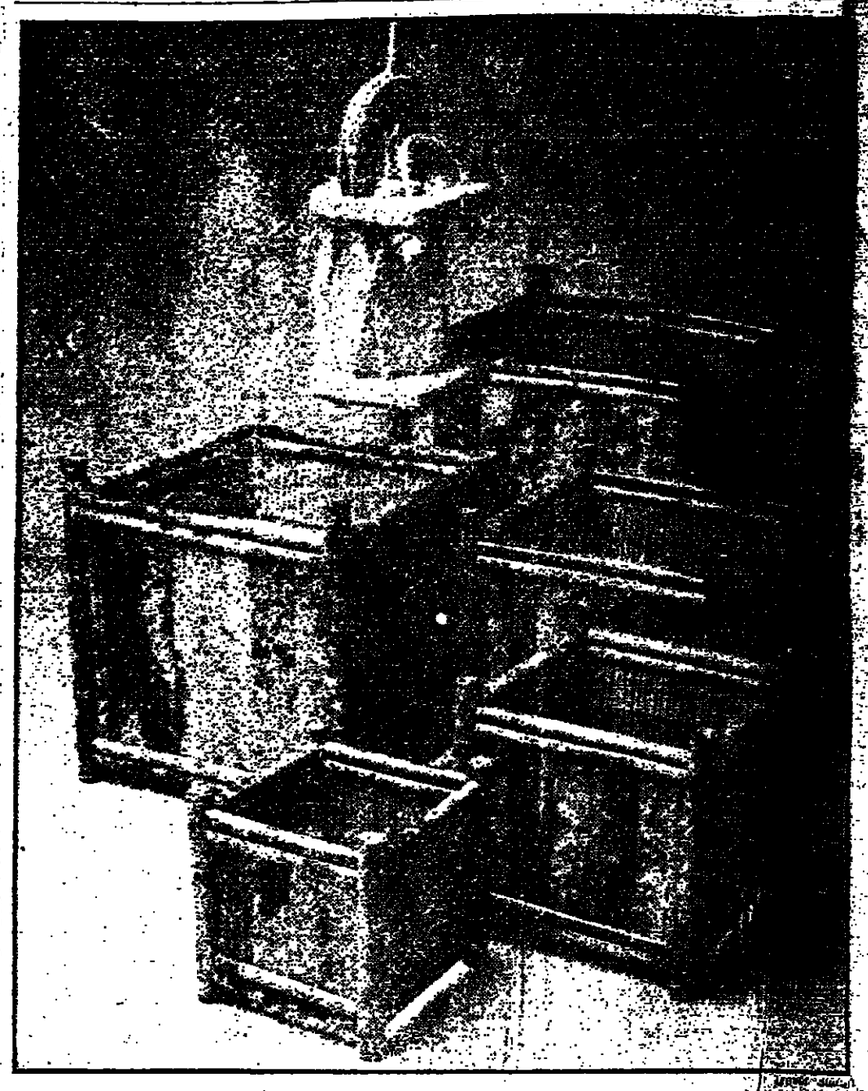
■ Spend the day with Israel on Sunday, May 7, at the enormous Earls Court exhibition centre, where Moshe Dayan will officially open an all-day party called "12 Hours for Israel". Some 8,000 youngsters will take part in a cavalcade giving a visual history of the Jewish people, carrying banners and floats portraying the Ten Commandments and Noah's flood.

Esther Ofarim, Miriam Karlin, Larry Adler and others will represent show business, and there will be a sight-and-sound spectacular every half-hour, documentary films on Israel, fashion shows by Marks and Spencer, gymnastics, pop bands and two theatre productions that promise to be really great. Written by Orna Spector, who was responsible for Israeli television's first soap opera and for some of their memorable documentaries, the two shows have been directed by Michael Kustow, associate director of the National Theatre. There is light comedy as well as history, and it all promises to appeal to all ages and races.

The climax is the now inevitable, always-fascinating laser-spectacular. Supermarkets will spill over with fresh fruit salads, and characteristically national foods and delicatessen. The whole thing is a giant birthday party. Until and including May 1, tickets can be got via a box office on 01-734 2825. From May 2, the Earls Court box office will be on a special number of its own, 01-371 7602. Some shops, stores and the Bank Leumi are selling tickets, as are some Jewish organizations. Entrance to Warwick Hall and the "fair" is £3 for adults and 50p for children under 16 and over four (entrance for babies—under four—is free). Tickets for the afternoon show (which also covers the exhibition areas) are £2 and £1. Tickets for the evening gala (excluding afternoon show but covering the exhibition) are from £2 to £7.50, and the show starts at 8.30.

■ Heather Bates, actress and lecturer, has bought 4.5 acres at Middleton Tyas, a couple of miles from the A1 at Scotch Corner. The object is to expand and develop her herb business, already a success in the 4½ years of its existence. Her eventual aim is to grow 50,000 herb plants and to have the most comprehensive herb garden possible, certainly in the North-east, to sell by post or to personal shoppers. This year she will have 10,000 plants covering at least 40 varieties, and there will always be fresh or dried herbs for those who call in the afternoon or by prior appointment. *Components* and ingredients for herb pillows, potpourri and herb dolls will also be sold.

Her initial typed list (please send an ordinary-sized stamped, self-addressed envelope) is a long one with six kinds of mint and I do heartily recommend the apple, pineapple, *eau de Cologne* and French mints for drinks and fruit cups as well as for mixing with some preserves. I know that many plant shops now sell a big selection of herbs, but not all of them. So you may like to know that Heather Bates charges from 40p to 65p per plant (according to the herb) and that postage is 35p for four plants or 50p for more than four. The address is Carlton Crafts, Carlton, Richmond, Yorkshire (Piercebridge 461).



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■ As a former swimmer who had, many years ago, both speed and distance, I have already expressed my admiration for Speedo swimwear. Furthermore, I know whereof I speak because my competition swimming, across Poole Harbour or in Studland Bay, was not all that it might be today. Our cotton swimsuits would stretch almost to the knees—they had legs since cutaway styles were thought indecent. When not competing but simply wishing to look smart, we wore rather long skirts all the way round the body. These had substantial seams at the waist and therefore became so heavy that, again, the suit reached almost to the knees when soaked. Somehow, however, we still managed an "Australian crawl" (as Johnny Weismuller's stroke was always called); I forget our speeds, but I am sure they would be laughable today. When, many years later, I joined a relay team swimming the English Channel, I realized how easy modern swimwear is.

Speedo is terrific and I am only too sad to have outgrown it so much myself. It is well-fitting (the nearest thing to a second skin), well-designed, strictly for the serious swimmer—although it is also smart and attractive. The shoulder straps stay firmly in place yet do not dig in; the men's trunks stay up but look neat.

But I must stress that Speedo wear is for the slender and the active. There are neither padded nor stiffened breast cups so that the shape you show is your own. The Lycra is soft, pliable, thin yet strong; there are those who worry about their breasts being slightly flattened by it but most Speedo wearers are happy with their curves and delighted with the fit. Obviously the crutch of both men's and women's wear is lined and the men's trunks have a lining across the whole of the front. Incidentally, they stretch and soften when wet so that, if the curves seem a little flat at first, they soon being to show when the costume is wet. As I said, these are for serious swimmers, but they are also attractive.

There are two colours, each with contrasting diagonal stripes in two other colours. The black suits have stripes of white and a deep, reddish tan, while the navy blue have white and delphinium-blue stripes. The prices are great value by any standards and I should like to remind readers that these Speedo costumes and trunks are excellent for teenagers as well as slim adults. They take up very little luggage or carrying-bag space, being thin and pliable so you can easily take them anywhere.

■ Book lovers and collectors must fall for the Essex House Press set of books, bound in a creamy vellum that, without being artificially antiqued, looks old yet new—as though the books were bound many years ago and then stored in mint condition. The heavyweight paper is Invicta Legal parchment substitute, the hand-binding is perfect. There are 125 sets for sale in a numbered, limited edition. Each book is a poem—Shelly's *Adonais* (40 pages), Gray's *Elegy* (24 pages), Keats's *The Eve of St Agnes* (36 pages), and Goldsmith's *The Deserted Village* (32 pages). Bound in four slim volumes, all uniform in size (195mm by 125mm, roughly 8in by 5in) the books are in a green card slipcase. There are delicate colour drawings and hand-coloured capital letters. The whole production is worthy of the high standards of Charles Robert Ashbee who founded the Guild of Handicraft in 1888 and later set up Essex House Press.

The publishers have wisely and charmingly produced a cheaper version of the same text, nothing like the vellum-bound limited edition, and without the hand colouring. They are printed on parchment-type paper and bound in a dark green-tinted stiff cover, all in a slip case of dark green.

The limited edition sets are £105 each, bound to order, so you need to allow about three weeks for delivery (there are about ten bound copies now in stock to give them a good start). The unlimited edition is £14.50. You can get uncoloured leaflets with a facsimile of a page or, for £2, a hand-coloured facsimile of a frontispiece. The address is Ridley Burnett, David Paradine Developments, Audley House, 9 North Audley Street, London W1Y 1WF (01-629 3793). Postage is extra at £1.50 for the limited edition and 85p for the other edition.

■ There are so many cane shops everywhere that I am tempted to wonder what is happening to wooden furniture. At the corner of Neal Street and Long Acre in London last week one could hardly move at The Inside Out Shop for the shoppers buying cane, cane, cane. I had a visitor from the South Coast, Mary, who was overjoyed by the scene, and we bought pretty little things from China, both there and at The Neal Street Shop, an old favourite of mine at number 29. Minute little folding scissors, black with sharp blades, were at The Neal Street Shop for 45p, and larger but similar folding ones were at Inside Out, very useful for fishermen and outdoorsmen but a lot cheaper than at fishing shops. Both have little holes so that they can be hung from belts or very thin keyrings but I always feel the ring is the weak spot and do not take the chance; still, you can drop them into a bag or sack, since the point of folding scissors is that the points are protected inside the folded handle.

The scissors are a good present for all ages, as are the colourful Japanese paper wallets, real sandalwood soap, and inexpensive flowerpots with the green etching of the plant on one side and maintenance instructions on the other (Inside Out, at about £1.65). Wicker sun-hats as worn in the rice fields are about £1.65 and Mary happily bought one for—hopefully—sunny Lancing this summer.

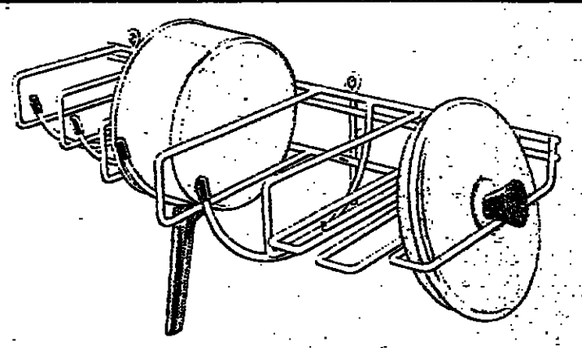
The cane shelves and furniture cover everything, from little coffee tables to large settees. Cane is no longer cheap but it is attractive and of far better quality than in the recent past. Also in Long Acre, next to The Glasshouse—where you can watch glass being made—is a cool, lovely oriental shop called Paul Wu (number 64). Marble cheeseboards, thin wooden platters, carved miniature chests-of-drawers are there, along with velvety mules for between £2.50 and £4, in black, a cerise red and a gorgeous deep green, all embroidered. Little evening clutch bags are pretty and some lovely national china are tempting, while real wicker topees at £1.50 each.

Nor everyone can buy cane locally—despite its apparent ubiquity—and some mail order firms are useful. Designscope of Dorking sells planters by mail, starting with one that measures 7in (18cm) square and costs £5.75 (plus £1.25 for that expensive postage). The next four sizes cost £7 (£1.50), £8 (£1.75), £9.25 (£2) and £10.25 (£2.25), the largest being 15in (38cm) square. These are very strong cane planters with a tortoiseshell kind of finish, and they can be used indoors or out. The funny little lampshade hanging above them is a Mariner's lamp of cork and sand-blasted glass, with natural coarse rope. They can all be bought at Designscope, 63 South Street, Dorking, Surrey, where there is a really large selection of everything in cane, some pine, glass and plants etc. There is also a walk-round showroom at 63 Portsmouth Road, Cobham, but they do not do mail order.

The telephone numbers are Dorking 2269 and Cobham 3650).

■ Woolworth's white plastic saucepan rack takes three pans (of about 16cm to 20cm or 6½ to 8 inches in diameter), plus a milk pan and three lids. Easy to fix with a couple of screws, it is a really useful buy at larger branches (and at Woolco) for £2.49.

I saw it when I went to buy cassettes, which I have since tried and found good value. The range is the Alpha Super blank cassettes at 75p for the 60-minute, £1.09 for the 90-minute and £1.25 for the 120-minute tapes, all high-energy ferric oxide tapes with built-in head cleaner, suitable for most medium-to-high bias cassette decks. The Super are excellent and worth the extra money—the Alpha Plus range cost 55p, 69p, and 89p respectively and are good and cheap but these are better by a very long chalk.



They are doing an introductory "buy - three - for - the - price-of-two" offer on these top-quality cassettes and are holding a competition giving 25 people a chance of a free holiday. Angus Mackenzie, a firm—and a person—with a first-class reputation in the sound-reproduction business, chose these Alpha Super after long laboratory examination of many tapes.

There is a growing lobby for a surcharge on blank tapes, because it is felt that too many people are now taping their own shows and music, hitting the sales of the record and tape companies' finished product. My own reaction is that a surcharge would be fair, paid as the Performing Right Society pays royalties to composers, singers, writers et al, but if the finished tapes were of better quality and were to give better value, then, I doubt if there would be quite as much piracy on blank tapes. I remember Pye Records going for playing time and quality at low prices, with some success. Morality seems to be lost somewhere in the cassette business and, until it is found, we shall buy and store blank tapes or make our own home music library.

■ An absolutely brand new idea and product is a rare thing but there was one launched this week: Monitel (mentioned in *The Times* last Wednesday). True, you will have read or heard about it quite a bit by the time this comment appears but it is so much a shopping item for so many homes and businesses that I make no apologies at all for writing about it with all the relevant shoppers' date.

Monitel is a telephone charge clock. Those of you who feel you are only too keenly aware of what your telephone costs may wonder why it is such a good idea. The first answer is that you probably estimate your call costs wrongly—only about one in a hundred is really aware of what a local or long-distance call can cost, even when perfectly aware of the basic charges. How can you rapidly translate a 3½-minute call into so many seconds at so much, while you are in the throes of speaking?

Monitel's telling tale of cash expenditure (as you talk) is enough to frighten off prattlers. I am not quite sure what you do if you ring them and *they* have no Monitel. I speak to one of these regularly and, however often I tell her I must stop as we have been on the line for thirty or forty minutes, she insists on "just one more thing". I wonder how she will react when people can tell her the cost of the call? At least there is some excuse for her—she is rather elderly and housebound—but none for many who hog a telephone for ages, at the caller's expense.

Monitel is not a complicated counting machine but a neat and modern product based on micro-processors, a small electronic wonder. It has taken more than two years and £650,000 to produce, but it is now in such demand that a special factory is turning out hundreds each week for homes and offices; Roger Helmer, marketing director of Monitel, reckons that users of the equipment will probably save up to £10m on their telephone calls over the next 18 months or so.

There are 14 million telephone subscribers in Britain and some 23 million telephones. Thirteen and a half million of these are domestic telephones, and this is still the fastest-growing sector—still only 64 per cent of homes have telephones.

Even so, more than 200,000 subscribers argue about their telephone bills every quarter, while a great many others are discontented because they just have no basis for proving or disproving the Post Office accounts even when they believe them to be wrong. With the number of calls multiplying all the time, the arguments are bound to increase.

The Monitel is a base for the telephone (models for wall telephones are being worked on but are not yet ready). In this base is a simple digital clock, to tell you the time when you are not using the costing equipment. You feed in a punched card which automatically programmes the equipment for cheap-rate, medium-rate or peak-rate calls, adjusting for Saturdays, Sundays and evenings, etc. If and when the tariffs change, a new punched card will be supplied at what is being described as a "nominal fee". An international Monitel needs two punched cards. Changing cards takes just a few seconds, and the process does not affect the clock.

The clock and equipment plug into your electricity supply, not to the telephone installation. As you speak, the actual £s and ps show up on the clock face, a visual display and/or warning. As the Monitel leaflet points out, a five-minute call from London to Bedford in the morning will set you back £1. Monitel will make you think twice about discussing the latest cricket score or the time of day and make you get on with the reason for making the call in the first place.

All you do to complete the programming is to choose the three different charge bands in your telephone dialling codes book (six for an international Monitel). These bands, i, a and b, represent the different tariffs charged, according to the distance of the call. A visual display shows you what charge band operates and, then, although the clock obviously keeps going internally, the time display vanishes. You dial and as soon as you are connected you press a start key and watch the money tick away. At the end of the call you press the stop key to bring back the clock's time display. You do not need to worry if you have forgotten what the call cost because the next call is the only thing that can cancel the memory—you can therefore recall it at any time until then.



Quite apart from disciplining telephone users, Monitel is really useful to professional firms who need to cost calls and to charge them to specific accounts or job-sheets, something which has been purely a matter of guesswork or averaging up to now—having the operator log the call and give you the charge is an expensive way of doing things. The self-employed would also find it useful to separate personal from business calls on their home telephone.

Monitel is in seven colours to match the Post Office colours—yellow, black, dark blue, red, green, two-tone grey and ivory white. For what it is, it is not expensive—about £28 for the United Kingdom model and £3 for the international, both including VAT. It can also be leased for 3p a day, which is probably a great deal less than the saving in phone bills. What it may do is to reduce the number of extensions everyone has because callers will always wait to use the monitored instrument; or, of course, it may be bought in multiples by the ardent cost-saver. Stockists will include W. H. Smith (the biggest branches), Rymans, Greens, Debenhams, Currys, Harrods, Selfridges and a growing number of shops and stores as well as office supply firms. Monitel is itself a new company, formed by C. H. Smith and Partners, suppliers of office equipment and drawing materials, Belchurch Road, Colchester, Essex (0206 48827). Leaflets are available.

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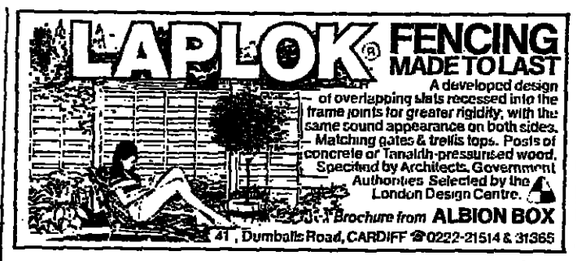
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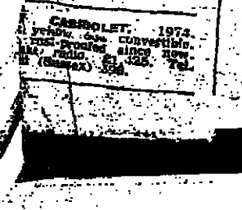
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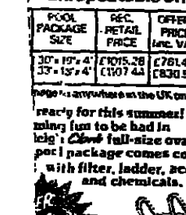
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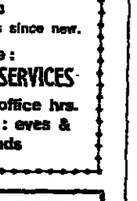
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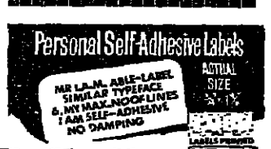
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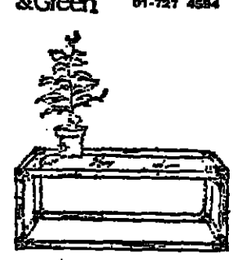


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BIRTHS

ADDIS.—On April 22nd to Jocelyn (née ...) and Robin Addis, a son, Dickon William—a brother for Piers and Kirstie.

BRIGGS.—On Apr. 26th at Montreal General Hospital to Rowena (née Aubusson) and Michael—a son (Edward Greenleigh).

CUFFERS.—On 21st April, 1978, to ... (née ...) and Dick, a son (Benjamin James), a brother for Thomas.

DALTON.—On April 7th in New York, to Richard and Elisabeth—a son, William.

DEWAR-DURIE.—On April 26th, at Westminster Hospital, to Marguerite and Andrew—a son.

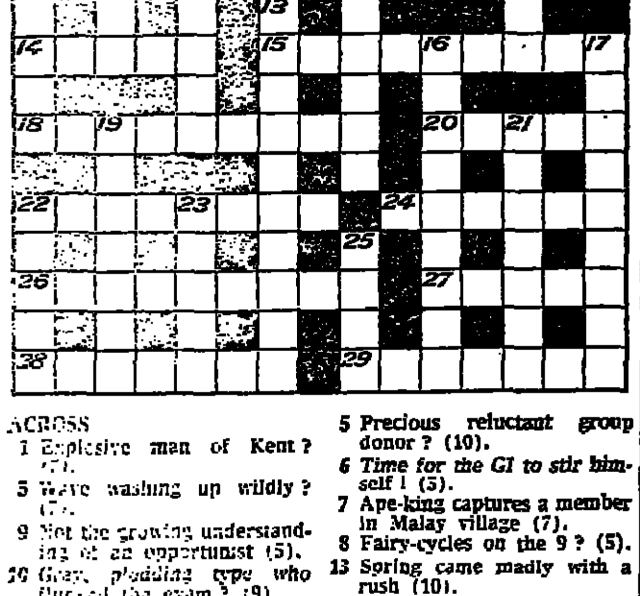
DICKERSON.—On April 11th, in Edinburgh, to Gilda (Ross) and Richard—a son (Luke Alexander).

HOLLOWAY.—On April 27th in Paris, to Viki (née Ryder) and Christopher—a son.

JUSTICE.—On April 27 at Queen Charlotte's, to Jennifer (née Courtney) and Michael—a son.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 14,887

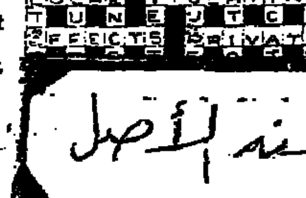
This puzzle, used at the Edinburgh regional final of the Cutty Sark Times National Crossword Championship, was solved within 30 minutes by 22 per cent of the finalists.



ACROSS
1 Explosive man of Kent? (7).
5 Wave washing up wildly? (7).
9 Not the growing understanding of an opportunist (5).
10 Grey, plodding type who flunked the exam? (9).
11 A great success in river moving to and fro (3-2-3).
12 Whereby Fleet Street noised it all over the place (3).
14 Greek style of electricity charge? (5).
15 "Ay, in the —— ye go for men" (Macbeth) (9).
18 Soldiers who could be armed with guns (9).
20 Name price of, say, a share (5).
22 Saint not to be given cold to one's friends (6).
24 Alias Baltasar, Daniel II (8).
26 Poor H... availing herself of provision of fresh quarters (9).
27 Bad air, first question for a Bagshot type (5).
28 A growth destroyed by a wild animal (4-3).
29 Lay component in gun to make it more pleasing (7).

DOWN
1 Down-to-earth striker (9).
2 Cossack cavalryman? (7).
3 Care as an example what Dumas can't remedy (9).
4 Observe entry in Indies pedigrees made (4).
5 Precious reluctant group donor? (10).
6 Time for the GI to stir himself! (5).
7 Ape-king captures a member in Malay village (7).
8 Fairy-cycles on the 9? (5).
13 Spring came madly with a rush (10).
16 A sucker for Scotch on the rocks! (9).
17 An issue for the country after European Monetary Agreement (9).
19 Article not on her but someone else (7).
21 Open-air theatre company's "Ishmael"? (7).
22 Sort of hat shows up 28's cheeky blemishes (5).
23 Not how dieters should show amusement (5).
25 Proverbs lacked publicity for a long time (4).

Solution of Puzzle No 14,886



BIRTHS

MACLEOD-SMITH.—On 27th April, in Cape Town, to Helen (née Kerr Muir) and Robert—a daughter.

McCABE.—On 15th April in Bristol to Alison and Peter—a daughter (Laura Margaret).

McNEILE.—On April 27, at the Raschid Hospital, Dubai, to Jane and Lindsay—a son (Thomas Daniel Mungo), a brother for Benedict.

REIDE.—On 25th April, 1978, at Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, to Caroline (née Gardner) and John—a daughter (Emma Miranda Fraser), a sister for Susie, Peter and Katrina.

SELBORNE.—On 27th April, at Winchester, to Joanna and John—a daughter.

SYMONS.—On 26th April, at St. Stephen's Hospital, to Susan and Christopher—a son.

URCH.—On 23rd April, to Sue (née Amos) and Paul—a daughter (Louise Claire), sister for Felicity.

WILKINS.—On 27th April, 1978, at St Stephen's Hospital, Fulham, to Sally (née Dupree) and Michael—a son.

BIRTHDAYS

DANAE.—Goddess thou art and wilt remain to be adored.

MARRIAGES

RUBY WEDDINGS

CARDEW : WOOD.—On April 30, 1938, at St. Johns Cathedral, Hongkong, George Jameson (Jim) of H.M.S. Eagle, to Tania. Present address: Beechwood, Upper Basildon, Reading, Berks.

RISHWORTH : LAIDLER.—On April 30th, 1938, at St. Mary's Church, Wimbledon, Charles Paslow Rishworth to Olive Mary Laidler. Present address: Shipton, Olive Manor, Cheltenham.

UNDERWOOD : DRINKWATER.—On April 30th, 1938, at the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Martin Hussingtree, Claude Underwood and Violet Drinkwater.

DEATHS

ARDIZZONE.—On 27th April, 1978, Philip Augustine Irving, husband of Almeida, father of Joanna, Sarah, Timothy, Rebecca, and Jessica. Son of Edward and Catherine. May he rest in peace. Requiem mass 10 a.m., 2nd May, 1978, at the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Faversham. Burial at St. Nicholas Church, Rodmersham, at 11 a.m. among the orchards he loved and painted. If desired a donation may be made to the Renal Research Fund at The Kent and Canterbury Hospital, Canterbury.

BARBER-LOMAX.—On 25th April, 1978, at his home West Stow Hall, Bury St Edmunds, Andrew John, aged 35 years. Dear husband of Elizabeth and father of Peter, Patrick, Anthony and Sarah, and dearly loved son of Pat and Jack. Funeral arrangements later. Enquiries to L. Fulcher, Bury St Edmunds 4049.

BEER.—On April 24th, suddenly, at Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, Major Frank T. D. Beer (retired), of Richmond, Surrey. Deeply mourned by his sister and family. Funeral will be held at Kingston Crematorium on Wed., May 3rd, at 10.30 a.m. Flowers to T. H. Sanders & Sons Ltd., 28 & 30 Kew Rd., Richmond, Surrey.

CAKE.—On April 27, 1978, peacefully, Jean of 6 Berkeley Road, Talbot Woods, Bournemouth. Wife of the late Arthur William Cake and dearly loved mother of Stella Glenton. Funeral service next Wednesday, May 3rd, 10.30 a.m., at Bournemouth Crematorium. Flowers may be sent to Deric-Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth.

CHAUNG.—On April 23rd, James Huay, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., R.N., aged 25. Son of the late J. V. K. Chaung and Mrs Chaung, suddenly and tragically at Oakham. Funeral service 12 p.m., Tuesday, May 2nd at All Saints Church, Church St., Oakham, followed by cremation. Inquiries and flowers to Fords of Oakham, Funeral Directors.

CRIDGE.—On Thursday, 27th April, at Westbury and District Hospital, Grace Gertrude Cridge, aged 85, of 10 Greater Lane, Edington, widow of Arthur John Cridge, mother of Una and May. Funeral at Edington Priory, Wednesday, 3rd May, 12.45 p.m. Flowers to Hallett and Mays, 52 Warminster Road, Westbury.

DAVIS.—On April 28th, 1978, peacefully at her home, Babs of Brook Farm, near Cuckfield, Sussex. Beloved wife of Jim. Funeral private, family only. Please no flowers or letters.

DIGBY.—On April 27th, at Paddock Cottage, West Ashby, Lincolnshire, Violet Mary, aged 92, widow of Lieutenant Colonel A. K. Digby, DSO. Funeral at Strubend, Colchester, on Tuesday, 2nd May, at 12.30 p.m.

ELLIS.—On 27th April, 1978, Edward Victor Telles, Dearest husband of Margaret and son of the late Sir William Ellis, GBE and Lady Ellis. All enquiries please to Harrods Funeral Service, 01-937 0371.

FORSTER, MICHAEL ISHERWOOD.—On 27th April, aged 62, at Caterham Cottage Hospital. Dearly loved husband of Barbara and father of John and Tim. Funeral service at St. John's Church, Caterham, at 2.30 Wednesday, 3rd May.

FRANCE.—On 28 April, peacefully at home, Charles Julius, beloved husband of Margrit and much loved father and grandfather. Requiem mass in Holy Family Church, Welwyn Garden City, Wed. 3rd May, at 11 a.m. All enquiries and floral tributes, Coughlan Brothers, Welwyn Garden 25959.

GRAHAM.—On 27th April, peacefully in Highgate, Dorothy, aged 93 years. Funeral service at St. Marylebone Crematorium, Finchley, N.3, on Wednesday, 3rd May, at 3.30 p.m.

HOBBS, BETTY.—On 26th April, in hospital, after a painful illness borne uncomplainingly and with the greatest courage. Dearly loved wife of Gordon, beloved mother of Susan and Graham, and devoted grandmother of Claire, Guy and Faith. Funeral service of thanksgiving at City of London Chapel, Manor Park, Thursday, 4th May, 2.50 p.m. No mourning, no flowers please, but donations if desired, to Cancer Research Fund, c/o Miss Richardson, St George's Hospital, Hyde Park Corner, London, SW1.

HELLER.—On 27th April, Gerard Paterson of Lower Woodend House, Marlowe, Bucks. Dearly loved husband of Jean, and father of William, John and Sia. Funeral 2.30 p.m., Thursday, May 4th, at St Mary the Virgin, Hambleden, Bucks. No flowers please but donations if desired to The London Hospital Muscular Research Fund, Whitechapel, E1.

JENKINS.—On April 28th, peacefully at home at Bridgend, Mid Glamorgan. Ann (née Walker-Heneage-Vivian), wife of Derek and mother of Angela, David and Christopher. Private funeral. Family flowers only.

JENNINGS.—On 26th April, very peacefully, at 27 Cumberland Court, Great Cumberland Place, W.1, Monica Mabel Jennings, M.B.E., sister of Richard and the late Martin. Cremation on Wednesday, 3rd May, at 1.30 p.m., at Golders Green Crematorium. Please, no flowers but donations would be welcomed to Cancer Research Campaign, 2 Carlton House Terrace, S.W.1.

LAING.—On April 28th, 1978, at his home Redlands Bank, North Holmwood, Surrey, Frederick Cecil Laing, dear husband of Benny. Funeral service at South Holmwood Church on Thursday, May 4th, at 1.45 p.m., followed by cremation. Flowers may be sent to Sherlock & Sons, Trellis House, Dorking.

LEPPARD.—On April 28th, 1978, peacefully at home, Herbert Barrington (Chum) of Higher House, Stoke Abbott, Beaminster, Dorset. Funeral service at Stoke Abbott Parish Church on Wednesday, May 3rd, at 12 noon. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu to The British Heart Foundation Fund.

LOWDELL, THOROLD KENNETH.—Former Vicar of Tring, on April 27th, peacefully in Sussex, aged 82. Service All Saints, Plumpton Green, May 3rd, 11.30. Cremation private. Donations to Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

MUNDAY.—On Friday, April 28th, 1978, Doris Hope, peacefully at her house. Funeral service, Box Parish Church, near Bath, on Wednesday, May 3rd, at 2.30 p.m. Flowers may be sent to the church.

NEAME.—On 28th April, peacefully at home at Selling near Faversham, Kent, Lieutenant General Sir Philip Neame, VC, KBE, CB, DSO, DL, aged 89. Beloved husband of Berta and father of David, Veronica, Nigel and Philip. Funeral at Selling Church, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, 4th May. Transport will meet the 12.40 p.m. train from Victoria at Faversham. Flowers to Hogben and Partis Ltd., Solomon's Lane, Newton Road, Faversham. No memorial service will be held.

PITBLADO.—On April 27th, peacefully at home after a long illness, Edith, beloved wife of David, mother of Jennifer and Alastair, sister of Lelia and Ninty, to William, Karen, Emma, Victoria, Jonathan, Nan and Sian, Richard, Sarah, Charles and Harriet. Funeral at St. Simon Zelotes, Cadogan Square, at 12.00 noon, on Wednesday, May 3rd, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Cancer Research.

POWELL.—On Tues. 25th April, Doris May (Belinda) (née Jowitt), peacefully at Westminster Hospital. Cremation at West Chapel, Golders Green Crematorium, Thursday, 4th May, at 11 a.m. Private.

RICHARDSON.—On April 20th, 1978, at the Victoria Cottage Hospital, Sidmouth, Frank Leslie Richardson, aged 95 years, of North End Cottage, Kestell Road, Sidmouth (formerly of Upper Norwood, and for 25 years a member of the Croydon Bench of Magistrates). Cremation took place at Exeter on 25th April, 1978.

SAALFELD, ALBERT EDWARD, O.B.E., J.P., Lieut.-Col. (Royal Artillery, retired).—On 27th March, 1978, in Sydney, Australia. Son of Alfred and Louise, brother of Dorothy, husband of Nina, father of Sally, Allene and Ann, father-in-law and grandfather of their families. Dearly loved, loving, thoughtful and kind. Gunner, gardener, underwriting member of Lloyds and Freeman of the City of London.

SOWDEN.—On April 27, 1978, Dora Elizabeth, late of Abinger Hammer, Dorking, cremation Friday, May 5, at 2.30 pm, at Leatherhead Crematorium, Surrey. Only garden flowers, please, but a donation to Cancer Research welcome.

SKINNER, CYRIL REED.—On 27th April, 1978, in his 88th year, peacefully at his home, 13 Buckingham Road, Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex, beloved husband of Irene and father of Peter.

WRINTMORE.—On 27 April at Garswood in Lancashire, the Rev Frederick Henry Wrintmore, of Harbord Rd., Overstrand, Norfolk, beloved husband of Nora, dear father of Eric and Monica. Service at Bacton Baptist Church, on Sat., 29 April, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, to London City Mission, 175 Tower Bridge Rd., London SE1 2AX. "Not all His ways are easy to know or understand, His plans are wise and loving, our lives are in His hands." Enquiries to L. Stewart, tel. Garstang 2316.

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ASSCHER.—A memorial service for the late Ann Asscher will be held on Saturday, May 6th at 10 a.m. at the Montefiore Hall, Froebel Institute, Grove House, Roehampton Lane, S.W.15.

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MOND.—In loving memory of Lieut. the Hon. Derek John Henry Mond, R.N.V.R., killed at sea on April 30, 1945.—Yvonne.

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